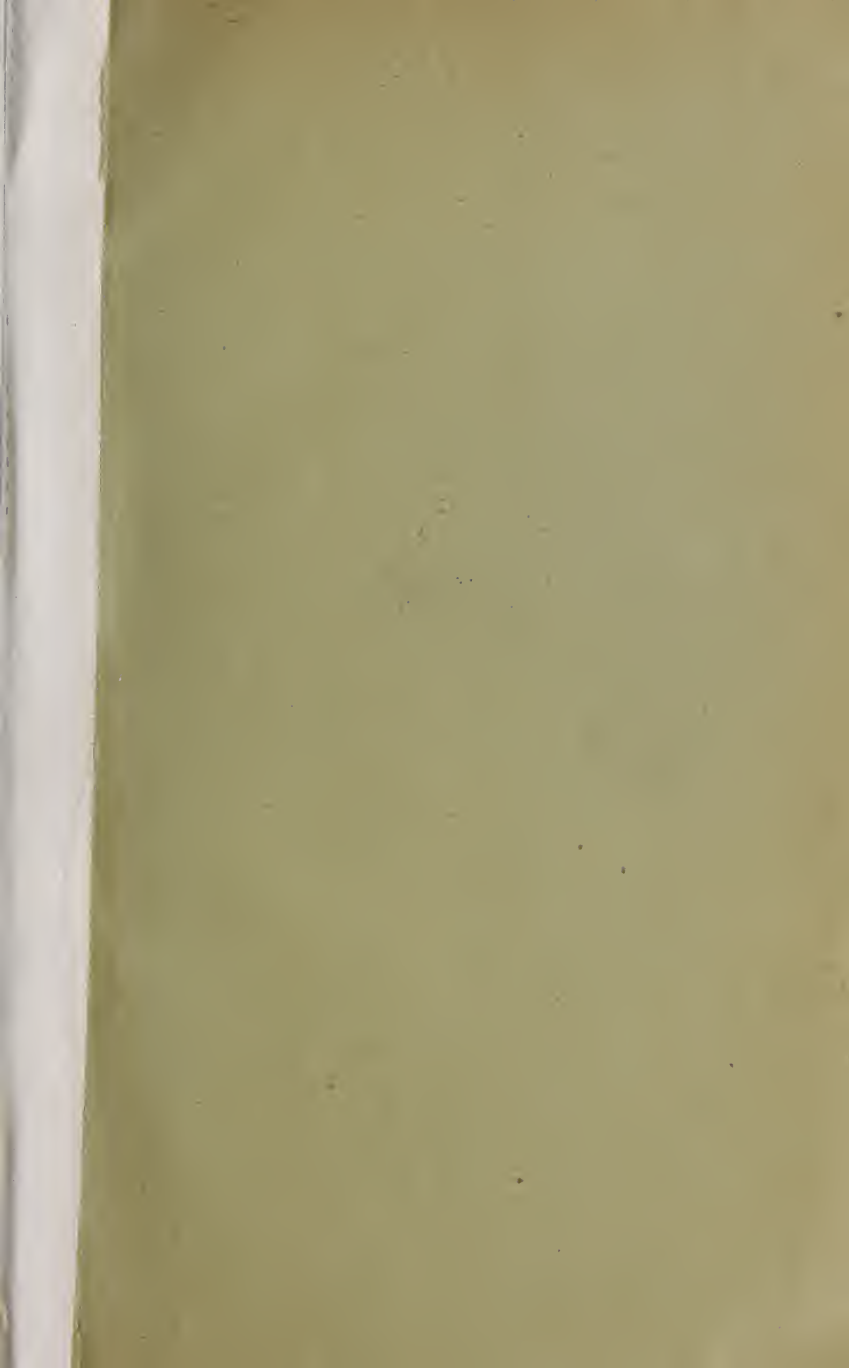




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Africa.

THE eyes of the whole civilized world are now resting upon the Dark Continent. Five railroads are projected into its very heart; these are backed by the energy and capital of as many Christian nations. They carry with them the paraphernalia of commerce, arts, science, literature, modern civilization. What do these things mean? Are they not the fundamental preparation for stupendous moral and spiritual changes in this country, and a clear indication of their speedy coming? The weird cry of the advance guard of the followers of El Mahdi, "I am coming, be ready," is doubtless the herald of a voice beyond their ken. Does it not seem as though not the El Mahdi, but the real Prophet and King, even Jesus, is proclaiming aloud in the ears of all Christian nations, in regard to the Soudan and all Africa, "I am coming, be ready"? Is it not significant that the most prominent arbitrator in the Soudan, General Gordon, is himself an eminent type of the character which Christianity produces, and in all attributes of manliness notably in contrast with what the inhabitants have been accustomed to see? Doubtless into many hearts the seed of divine truth will be cast incidentally in the midst of these stirring events, which may germinate and be the first fruits of a glorious harvest.

We cull the following facts from the last number of *L'Afrique*,

which will be of interest to those who are watching the progress of events in this wonderful country :

Mirambo is endeavoring to combine into one nation tribes which inhabit his states. Persuaded that education will give an element of importance and life to his people, he requests that the Society of London send to him a large number of missionaries, and particularly a medical missionary.

The station of Karima, which at first was an expense of 30,000 fr. to the International African Association, is now self-supporting. The three hundred persons who compose it, united under the rule of their chief, M. Storms, found that they had products of their own cultivation not only enough to supply their own wants, but sufficient to use for purposes of barter.

The Portuguese government has concluded a contract with M. McMurdy, an American, for the building of a railroad from Lorenzo-Marquez to the border of the Transvaal.

The English missionaries of the station of Kanwe, near to Victoria-Nyanza, have received from Su Kongui, king of the island of On-Kiriwé, a cordial invitation to visit him, of which they propose to avail themselves as soon as their baggage shall arrive from On-Ganda.

The marine department proposes to set out in the colony of Gaboon plantations of eucalyptus and bamboos in order to render more salubrious those regions where malarious fevers prevail.

The Chiref of Onazza, yielding to the advice of M. Ordegu, the French minister at Morocco, has renounced for himself and family the practice of buying and selling slaves. Let us hope that this is the first step towards the abolition of the trade, vainly demanded at several times by the European powers at Morocco. The Chiref has declared that slavery is not a national institution, inherent in the religion, and that on the contrary it is a meritorious work to liberate the slaves.

THE RECORD OF THE YEAR.

BY MRS. GRAHAM C. CAMPBELL.

THE experience of the Gaboon and Corisco mission during the past year has been of a varied character.

It has been a year of remarkable unhealthfulness. At nearly every station the missionaries have been visited by the dreaded malignant fever peculiar only to Africa. God, in his infinite mercy, has spared life in every instance, but a return to our native land has been necessary in several cases.

Another source of great annoyance and interruption have been the encroachments of the French nation upon our field of labor. The French government now claims a coast line of about seven hundred miles, running north from the Congo and extending as far interiorward as they can explore. This encroachment is not by right, but by might. Aside from establishing custom-houses and levying duties the following law has been passed, which is in effect at

Gaboon and south, including our stations on the Ogovi river, viz.: "No school shall be established in the colony without the consent of the commandant. No language but the French shall be taught in the schools, one half of the school time to be spent on the French language itself, and the other half on those subjects which shall be designated by the government." It is hardly necessary to add that in the list of subjects all Bible teaching is omitted.

In spite of these two immense drawbacks to the work—that of illness and French intervention—the mission, we believe, is in a state of advancement.

One new church has been formed within the year at Bata, a little north of Benita, and under the charge of Rev. W. C. Gault. This church, together with two others located at Batanga and Avune, has been carried on almost entirely by native elders and other native laymen, Mr. Gault having a superintendency of the whole field. Owing to his many duties at his own station, Mbade, and the fact that those ocean voyages must be made in small river boats, Mr. Gault is not able to visit these churches oftener than two or three times a year, when he holds communion services with them. At these seasons the house of worship is crowded to overflowing by eager listeners, the people standing outside as far as the voice of God's minister can be heard through the open doors and windows.

Two miles from Mbade, at Bolondo, the work is most energetically and fruitfully carried on by Rev. and Mrs. De Heer and Mrs. Reutlinger, the latter in charge of a successful girls' school. Mrs. De Heer has perfected herself in the native language, and spends much of her time in translations. Mr. De Heer has charge of the church at Benita, and the work on the coast south for many miles. He also does a great amount of translating. At Benita, at every communion season, a large number of the school boys and girls, the middle-aged and the old, are received into the church.

In connection with the workers at Benita, I must not fail to mention the youngest one, Master Gault, born at Gaboon, June, 1883. Great things are expected of our juvenile missionaries, and we have daily proof that they do not have to wait until they are of age before exerting an influence for good.

On Corisco island, Mr. Ibia, one of our native ordained ministers, has, during the past year, been installed pastor of the church. Mr. Ibia is full of the love of God and of good works. He frequently makes missionary tours of the mainland, leaving his regular work to the care of his native assistant, Frank Meyongo, a licentiate supported by the ladies of the Westminster Church, Minneapolis, Minn. He has an interesting school of boys, and his wife has a small class of girls.

At Gaboon, although the children's schools have been closed, the

work is successful in many directions. Here a theological training-school has been established under the direction and teaching of Mr. Good, and here all of the young men giving themselves to the ministry, from all the stations of the field, come together for several months of the year, and are systematically trained for the ministry. We have received news of their most creditable examinations at the annual meeting in January. These young men, with our noble elder, Adande, go about from town to town, telling the people of the plan of salvation. Wherever they go, they are always treated with the very best things that the town can afford.

The ladies at this station, Mrs. Ogden, Mrs. Good and Miss Jones, have much to do in the way of town visitation, caring for the sick, and in holding meetings with the women in their own homes. They retain as many boys and girls as they can find employment for, in order to keep them under Christian influences.

One year ago Mr. Walker, our senior missionary, was obliged to return to this country, and is now seeing through the press his translation of the Scriptures, made on the field.

Mr. Campbell, myself and our little son were obliged to return to America during this year. We are now anxiously looking forward to a return to our work at Gaboon in the early autumn.

Mrs. Bushnell also has lately arrived in America, where she will probably spend the rest of her days working for the Master. And although she will labor less directly for the people to whom she has given the best years of her life, still she will not cease to present them before the throne of grace, and her mind and prayers will ever turn towards that land where her husband's monument stands as a witness to his love for Africa.

Up the Gaboon river the work is interrupted by the continual intervention of the French, and by the return to this country of Mr. and Mrs. Marling, whose hearts are now heavy with the recent loss of their sweet little daughter, born at Gaboon February, 1882.

At Kangwe station, on the Ogovi river, several new members have been received into the church the past year, and one of their young men has been licensed to preach. Here have been laboring Mr. and Mrs. Reading, Mr. Robinson, Miss Nassau and Miss Harding. The malignant fever has sent Mr. Robinson and Mrs. Reading to this country in search of health and strength. Mr. Robinson is hopeful of returning in the fall. Mrs. Reading was left by the fever not only very much reduced, but for several weeks totally blind. We are happy to learn that she is gaining in strength and sight.

At our new station, Talaguga, 215 miles inland from the mouth of the Ogovi river, Dr. and Mrs. Nassau have faithfully labored at pioneer work. Assistance in building was given them by Mr.

Menkel, who knows how to make himself useful where he is most needed. At Talaguga the missionaries have to deal with a large and powerful tribe, which is pushing its way from the interior coastward. This tribe is more crude and fierce than any other with which the missionaries have yet come in contact. No converts have yet been made among them, but foundations are being laid, and we have every reason to expect that Dr. and Mrs. Nassau will be permitted to see the fruits of their labor.

The want of space forbids details, or we might relate many instances of interest and encouragement. I will only add, in conclusion, that your soldiers on the African field are hopeful for a release from some of their unjust bands.

To our American government we look for resistance against this tyrannical and unrighteous school law, which, if carried to the extent intended by the French, will make the hard labor and loss of life for forty years worse than wasted time and strength.

To you, our sisters, we look, for your prayers and gifts and words of encouragement to help stem the tide, which is bound to recede if only we are faithful. For have we not the promise that "The heathen shall be given to the Son for His inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for His possession"?

MISSIONARY LADIES IN AFRICA.

REPRESENTING THE W. F. M. S.

Mrs. C. De Heer, Benita.
 Mrs. W. C. Gault, "
 Mrs. H. M. Bachelor, Baraka.
 *Mrs. J. H. Reading, Kangwe.
 Mrs. R. H. Nassau, Talaguga.

Miss I. A. Nassau, Kangwe.
 Miss Lydia Jones, Baraka.
 Mrs. J. C. Good, Baraka.
 Mrs. Phebe C. Ogden, Baraka.

REPRESENTING THE W. P. B. M. OF THE NORTHWEST.

*Mrs. Graham C. Campbell, Gaboon. | Miss M. L. Harding, Kangwe.

MISSIONARY TEACHERS.

Mrs. R. A. Etheridge, Liberia. | Mrs. M. B. Jones, Liberia.

AN English missionary on Lake Tanganyika, Africa, draws a terrible picture of some of the superstitions among the natives. He says they believe the waters of the lakes and rivers to be inhabited by spirits, who must be propitiated by human sacrifices. Thousands are thus sacrificed every year in the country of Urna. They bury persons of distinction close to the water's edge in order to let in the water upon them.

* In this country.

Here and There among our Missions.

AFRICA.

FROM Mrs. R. A. Etheridge, our successful teacher in Clay Ashland High School, Liberia, the following :

When I recall the goodness of God and His tender mercies to me and my race, I am constrained to cry out, like the psalmist of old, "Praise the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, praise His holy name." Oh, how I do thank God, who has spared me to meet the school in the opening of our first term for 1884! How blessed I am! Pray for me and my benighted sisters and brothers, for we truly need your prayers. Our little village has not more than five hundred inhabitants, and just on the background are countless numbers of my race sitting in heathenish darkness, with no blessed teacher to give them the light. Our school opens with bright prospects for the present year. Would that you could see the sunny faces of our scholars!

Mrs. M. B. Jones, of Brewerville, Liberia, a native worker and one recently adopted by the Board of the Northwest, writes :

It is with assurance I can say daily, I know that my Redeemer lives and that His tender care is around me continually. My school is a solace and comfort to me; my happiest hours are my school hours. I love the little ones as if they were mine, and it is encouraging to know that my affection is returned. Help me with your prayers that our heavenly Father may give me patience and strength to continue my work for Him in this benighted land. Africa is a vast field. We are only, in comparison to it, what the oasis is to the great Sahara—but a speck on the horizon. I sometimes hear from the interior through traders, and the cry of Macedonia is often repeated.

SOUTH AMERICA.

Miss Ella Kuhl, of Sao Paulo, Brazil, writes with enthusiasm concerning the white fields of that country :

We have one of the most wonderful and interesting fields to the north of us to be found in any part of the world. It is the province of Minas Geraes—larger than France, and until last year only one missionary there! Last year we sent our Benjamin. The work has already begun. Sr. Miguil Torres, with a zeal and energy worthy of a worker in that glorious harvest field, has toiled on for years alone; but he has not toiled in vain. Far and wide the truth has spread, and the people are begging us to send teachers and ministers. One of our pupils, who has finished her course, is already teaching in Caldas.

A few days ago a man came from the interior and wished to place his daughter in our school, saying that he was much pleased with the system upon which it was conducted. I asked if he knew that it was a Protestant school and that pupils learned the Bible daily and attended evangelical services regularly. To my surprise he replied, "Oh, yes! my mother has accepted the new religion, and is writing to all her children and persuading them to examine the matter."

Another testimony to the power of the word of God! Even in that interior town, where the gospel has never been preached, is one of the Lord's hidden ones. A heart full of mother love, writing to the various branches of her large family of the love of Christ.

CHINA.

Mrs. J. Newton Hayes, who went to the Shanghai mission in October, 1882, from Michigan, tells this story :

We have southern Methodists and Presbyterians in Soochow, making quite a little company of missionaries. Awhile ago one of the missionaries found a Chinese nearly dead by his door and almost naked. He gave him some medicine and covered him, and the next morning found him much better. His people had brought him there to die. They are very much afraid to have a person die in their house, and often carry them out on the street and put a matting over them. This man continued to improve until he was perfectly well. He was a very strong Buddhist, and told the missionary he wanted in the next world to be changed into a donkey, so that this missionary could ride upon him. Their ideas of the future state of existence seem very sad. They are very careful about annoying cats, for they say the spirits of their friends come back to this world in the form of that animal.

INDIA.

Miss L. M. Pendleton, of the Lodiana mission, in letters to holders of scholarships in the Dehra school, says :

You know probably that it is intended as a school for the daughters of our native Christians. Here they receive an education in their own language; and if they stay long enough, learn English as well. All our older classes recite in English, and their histories and books on mathematics are all in our language. If they stay until they have gone through the course, they should be quite mistress of our language in speaking. Our first class this year are taking the branches required in the Calcutta University entrance examination. Whether they will be able to pass the examination I doubt, yet thought I would let them study the required books anyway as an experiment. Two girls from this school have passed it, and it is considered a great honor for a native girl to gain. It is less than many or most American young ladies do, but in this land, where women are looked down upon and despised, it is something noted and commented upon. We have over a hundred and twenty on the rolls in this new term of 1884. I found I could use very nearly the same methods in teaching that were used at home. The girls are perhaps not quite so quick at catching ideas as girls there are, but they are not by any means dull. They all dress in a plain skirt and simple jacket. It is the native costume. When they go to church or out on the street they wear a wrap called a *chuddar*, which is simply a white strip of cloth, like a sheet, wrapped round the head and shoulders—a graceful head-dress. I sometimes think it would save us all much trouble if we could have such a fashion, for it, like the laws of the Medes and Persians, never changes. We do not dress our girls in a uniform, for they like to show their individuality by their different dresses with different colors. Like all eastern people, they

like bright colors, and nothing pleases them better than a bright red or blue dress. The school term lasts from the first of February to the first of December, with an interval of two weeks in June, when the weather is the hottest.

Our girls are kept very busy, for they do the sewing for themselves and the work of the school, besides their study. I often feel sorry for them, they have so much to do; but it cannot be helped, and they are much better off than they would be in their own homes. The work of the school is divided among them, so that each does a little. The large ones each have a little girl to care for, to sew for, and in fact play the mother to. It is good discipline for them. I hope you will pray that, among all the other desirable things they learn, the heart knowledge of Christ may stand first.

The last year was a prosperous one, both in the number of pupils in the school and in the amount of work accomplished. Our first class stood two years ahead in their examination of where they were in 1882. The school is examined yearly by some representative of government, and the report officially recorded. Last year we had evidence of the workings of God's Spirit among our girls. All the older ones hope that they are Christians, and most of them live so that we believe they have a good hope. There are a great number of little girls, from whom we hope good things when they grow up. As they stay with us so many years, of course they are trained in the ways of the school, and prove very satisfactory when they are older. We have a set of native teachers trained in the school, who are faithful and reliable and who teach well.

SIAM.

Miss M. E. Hartwell, of Bangkok, sends the following account of a New Year's visit:

A party of sixteen of us went on a picnic excursion up the river on New Year's day. We stopped at a fine temple, and prevailed upon a priest to unlock the door and let us see the inside. It was occupied by a solitary statue of Buddha, in a sitting posture. The terraced throne was highly ornamented, and the statue itself covered with gold leaf, the whole about twenty feet or more in height. The floor was of beautiful marble tiles, and an immense curtain (or pair of curtains), made of fine figured red and yellow print, hung in front of the statue, and was caught back to the wall on either hand. Mrs. Bradley, the widow of Dr. Bradley, so many years a missionary here, improved the opportunity of addressing the priests on the theme nearest our hearts. These poor ignorant men, in their yellow garb, had gathered in to look at us through curiosity, thus giving a fine opportunity to talk with them. Mrs. Bradley's gray hairs were sufficient to command their respectful attention, and they listened to all her earnest words about our God and Saviour Jesus Christ in a manner that did my soul good.

A recent letter from Mr. Dunlap, of Petchaburi, tells of the organization of a new church of sixteen members in a fishing village thirty miles from Petchaburi. Four more were baptized on the following Sabbath, so the little church begins with a membership of twenty, and fifteen inquirers. Another young man brought

in through Dr. Sturge's hospital has volunteered to study for the ministry.

Mrs. Sturge, writing of the organization of this church, says :

After the communion service on Sabbath afternoon we all visited the sick church members. One poor old woman, who feels that she is dying, has spent sixty years in merit-making, yet all looks dark before her. When we left her she was in a more peaceful frame of mind, and requested our prayers. We have made her case a special object of prayer since our return.

Mrs. Sturge, in the same letter in which she tells of the beautiful services attending the establishing of this body of Christ's followers, presents a scene in striking contrast to it :

The day after New Year's there was a new Chinese temple, or "joss house," formally opened here. We went up to see some of the ceremonies. I have not time to enter into details ; suffice it to say that there were opium dens, gambling places, theatres, and all kinds of resorts of vice. The Chinese performed some horrible acts of torture to propitiate their gods and make merit. Some took boiling oil from caldrons and sprinkled it over the bare body from pomegranate branches. This sprinkling was repeated many times by one man, who threw it first over his own body and then over those standing about him. It caused him to look and act like a veritable demon. I could scarcely believe it had I not seen it.

HOLIDAYS IN JAPAN.

MRS. CHARLES M. FISHER, OSAKA.

WE have had beautiful weather, and are enjoying our first winter in Japan very much. The snow in Osaka generally melts as fast as it falls. The rivers and canals have not once been frozen over, and flowers have bloomed in the gardens during the whole winter. On Christmas eve all of the missionaries in Osaka met at Dr. Taylor's, and had a pleasant time around the Christmas tree for the missionaries' children. The next afternoon we went to one of the Presbyterian preaching places, where the native Christians had a tree for the Sabbath-school children, which was a pleasant success. The room was tastefully decorated with mottoes and bright hanging lanterns. A large bright star surrounded by smaller ones, on a dark background on one side of the room, reminded one of the star that led the magi with their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to the new-born King in Bethlehem. Mr. Alexander spoke of the event we were celebrating, the children recited texts and verses and appropriate hymns were sung. Three of the Christian women had learned to sing in English, "Joy to the world." It sounded very sweet ; it seemed indeed that the song, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men," that

floated out over the Judean hills more than eighteen hundred years ago, had now encompassed the world, and "Let earth receive her King" seemed a fitting continuation of that glorious song. After the opening exercises, the sliding paper partitions were opened and the tree, loaded with bright ornaments and many gifts, delighted the eyes of the little ones. Amid happy laughter and pleasantries the gifts were distributed. Refreshments were then passed to all; rice-cakes, tiny cups of tea, oranges and small boxes of native food called *bentos*.

The Japanese are a pleasure-loving people. One of the great trials of a new convert, when he enters the church, is to give up the forbidden amusements. They appreciate Christmas and all Christian holidays, when their natural love for pleasure can be satisfied. New Year's is a great national holiday. The week or two previous is the house-cleaning time for them, more general than our spring house-cleaning at home, for here all are getting ready for the same day. The Sabbath before New Year's, while on our way to and from church, we saw many houses undergoing the cleaning process. When the all-important day arrives, old and young put on their very best attire, many having provided new garments and ornaments for the occasion. Shops are closed, street vendors cease their cries, business everywhere is suspended, while pleasure with old and young, rich and poor, rules the day. Many of the streets were decorated with bright flags and lanterns, and other New Year's ornaments, ferns, bamboo, etc. Men and women in their best silken robes went from house to house making New Year's calls, in many places not entering, but leaving their cards in the quaint little baskets or boxes hanging at the side of the door for that purpose. The children in merry groups were enjoying their New Year's sports; the little boys with heads shaven in all sorts of fantastic styles, some having a bald spot on top, some with the head bare excepting a little tuft of hair at the back or near each ear, all in straight garments with long sleeves, trotted about on their wooden shoes, happy with their gay kites floating gracefully far, far above the little tile-covered buildings they called home. Little girls, with hair plastered into various shapes, and ornamented with tinsel and artificial flowers, some with their faces painted a chalky white, with lips stained a bright red, all in holiday attire, added brightness to the scene as they joined in the games of battledoor and shuttlecock, or tossed beautiful silken balls in the air.

We visited several temples, where we saw worshippers constantly coming and going. In one temple was quite a shower of money, and large heaps of rice-bread, bags of rice and other offerings to gods that could not accept. But the saddest of all was to see the children brought there by their parents and taught to give offerings

of money, clapping their little hands to attract the attention of those of whom the Bible says, "They have ears, but they hear not." How we longed to see them taught to pray to the true prayer-hearing and prayer-answering God! This is a great city, with hundreds, some say thousands, of temples, where multitudes kneel and offer supplications to gods who can neither hear nor answer prayer. At night we hear the drums beating at a temple near by, and a three-minutes walk will take us to a shrine where many come to worship. It is so built that the worshippers can walk around it, which is considered an act of merit, some going around as many as five hundred times. A few mornings since we saw a woman with her baby on her back worshipping at this shrine, and then going around it a number of times, the baby with its little voice trying to join in the prayers and "vain repetitions." The mother rang a bell to let the god know she was through, and going to another shrine, rang another bell to let that god know she had come, and began again her mumbling of vain prayers. Such sights stir our hearts with a deep longing to tell of Him who "is nigh unto all them that call upon Him, that call upon Him in truth." But as has been said, "with all this it is a time of victory for Christ in Japan." The earnestness of the native Christians is a beautiful token of the power of the gospel over their hearts and lives. Everywhere we hear of indications of growth and prosperity in the cause of Christ.

Mr. Ito, the late ambassador to Germany just recently returned, brought as a message from Emperor William to the Mikado that the secret of German civilization is Christianity, and that Japan can never hope to become a great nation till it become a Christian nation. This produced a profound impression upon the court, and can hardly fail to help forward the cause. Even those of calm judgment say that before this century closes Japan may become, nominally at least, and in large part really, a Christian nation. The native Christians of the different denominations in Osaka, Presbyterian, Congregational and Episcopal, had union meetings during the week of prayer, which were well attended. One of the missionaries, who had just returned from a visit to the home land, said he had never heard the native Christians pray with such deep feeling and earnestness before. The meetings were continued another week, and similar ones have been held in Yokohama and Tokio. We can only echo what a native said in one of these services, "This is just the time for missionaries and the dissemination of the gospel. As we think of the blessings already received, our hearts overflow with thanksgiving to God." He then adds, "Our people, high and low, are all anxiously inquiring for the gospel."

Pray for the missionaries of Japan that they may improve this great ingathering time. Pray for the Holy Spirit to come in great power; and pray, too, that more missionaries may come to help possess the whitened fields.

A LETTER FROM A NATIVE OF PERSIA.

ESLY, wife of Badal, a native pastor, in the Koordish mountains, to the missionary ladies of Oroomiah. I wish to report to you our sacred work. From the first of our meeting with these friends they were kind and attentive; but when I would question them and speak of the salvation of their souls, it seemed useless, and I had no courage for it, they seemed so dark and ignorant. Then I said, "O Lord, wilt thou enlighten these darkened ones?" Then the pastor said to me, "Our great work is to pray and to speak, and soon we shall see Christ walking through the congregation, or appearing to the multitude." Then I began to go from house to house and meet with individuals and pray, and now already I must confess I am returning with the olive branch in my mouth. The Week of Prayer was to us a delightful season, beginning on Sabbath with the Lord's Supper, continuing Monday with meetings forenoon and afternoon, congregation attentive and reverent, one hundred persons filling the room and passage way. In the evening visiting from house to house, the pastor, Elea, Sergis and I; everywhere an eagerness to hear and a readiness to invite others to the place of prayer. . . .

Friday we observed in prayer and fasting. Six united with us of such as we supposed had no interest except in dissipation and idleness. In the afternoon the Saviour was sensibly in our midst. There was weeping and wailing over sin, and crying "What shall we do?" Isaac, son of John, arose and said, "I am the chief of sinners; I hope you will pray for me." Then himself kneeling in tears he said, "I am a sinner like the publican; God be merciful to me." Then sobbing was heard from every side. Three women and three young girls appeared awakened from their lost condition and resolved to find Christ, and asked the brethren and sisters to pray for them. Dear sisters, this is the fruit of your prayers. Your gifts may result in salvation to these needy souls, who may be stars in your crown. . . .

A little incident will show the great ignorance of these people. One day as I sat alone in the house a woman entered. She said, "I have suffered much this night in a dream, and I want to kiss your clock." She then went up to the clock and kissed it four times, and said, "I am your sacrifice," meaning the devoted victim of the clock. I said, "What, have you faith in that thing?"

She replied, "Why should I not have? It goes of itself." After much explanation to her, she said, "Don't lay it up against me, I am as ignorant as a brute beast."

For the Young People.

WAS IT A LITTLE?

BY MRS. HATTIE F. BELL.

With hammer and mallet and chisel,
The work went steadily on ;
And the walls grew higher and higher,
Till the beautiful church was done,
E'en to the costly tablet
Recording the monarch's name,
As a signet to all the people
Of honor and glory and fame.
And the king, in his royal grandeur,
Looked up to the glittering tower
And smiled. "I built this structure
In the strength of my kingly power ;
And I issued a royal edict
That nothing, however small,
Should be given by any other—
Mine, *mine* is the glory all."

But the night crept into his chamber,
And brooded above his head ;
It brought strange dreams and fancies
As he lay on his royal bed.
He thought, as he gazed on the tablet,
An angel's hand erased
The name of the proud young monarch—
His name—with eager haste ;
While in its stead was written,
In letters of burning gold,
The unknown name of another,
A widow—forsaken and old.

When the morn looked into his chamber
Through the curtains' silken sheen,
He sent for the poor lone woman
Who bore the name he had seen ;
And when she stood before him
He angrily questioned, "Why
Did you disobey my bidding ?
You surely cannot deny
You must have given some tribute,
Or helped in unknown ways
To build that church, whose tablet
Heralds for me all praise."

She murmured, "Oh, forgive me,
 Dear king, for it is true ;
 I felt so glad and happy,
 I did, sire, pray for you.
 And as the jaded horses
 Went with the heavy stone,
 I gave them but a wisp of hay—
 Only a little one.
 I knew some day a church, sire,
 From out those stones would grow,
 And I did it for my Master,
 Because I love Him so."

Into that royal bosom
 God sent an arrow down ;
 Strange thoughts were flitting through it,
 Strange thoughts before unknown
 To him who wore a diadem
 And sat upon a throne ;
 Strange thoughts and stranger feelings,
 Promptings of good from heaven,
 A page from his own selfish heart
 For him to read was given.

"Blot out from off the tablet
 The royal name," he said,
 "And let this noble woman's
 Be written in its stead."
 With hammer and mallet and chisel
 Down came the kingly fame,
 And in beautiful golden letters
 There glittered the widow's name.
 "The Lord be praised forever,"
 The king said. "Let it be
 Proclaimed through all my kingdom
 What this has done for me ;
 The gift of an humble woman
 Is the sweetest charity.
 Her little in God's balance
 Before the eternal throne
 Would far outweigh in worthiness
 All I have ever done.
 She did it for God's glory,
 I did it for my own."—*Christian Weekly.*

BAND EXERCISE ON AFRICA.

BY MRS. HARRIET NEWELL BEAUMONT.

BIBLE READING.

1. Who left Canaan and went into Egypt because of a famine in the land? (Gen. xii. 1, 5, 10.)
2. Who did *not* go into Egypt when there was another famine in the land, and why did he not go? (Gen. xxvi. 2, 3.)

3. Who was sold into Egypt, and what did he afterward become? (Gen. xxxvii. 28; Gen. xli. 41-43.)
4. Who lived in Egypt a long time, but desired to be buried with his fathers; and was his wish gratified? (Gen. xlvii. 27-30; Gen. l. 12-14.)
5. Who forsook the riches and pleasures of Egypt for the sake of others? (Heb. xi. 24-27.)
6. Who was taken down in Egypt when a baby to fulfill a prophecy? (Matt. ii. 13-15.)
7. Who married an Ethiopian woman, and who felt badly about it and talked against him? (Num. xii. 1.)
8. What great battle was fought with the Ethiopians, and who were the captains; and how many in the Ethiopian army, and who were victorious? (2 Chron. xiv. 9-15.)
9. What reason did Hanani the seer give to Asa the king of Judah for his gaining the victory over the Ethiopians? (2 Chron. xvi. 7-9.)
10. What question did Jeremiah the prophet ask about the Ethiopian? (Jer. xiii. 23.)
11. What did Isaiah prophesy about Egypt? (Isa. xx. 4, 5.)
12. What did Daniel prophesy concerning Egypt, Libyans and Ethiopians? (Dan. xi. 42, 43.)
13. Whom did Amos compare the children of the Ethiopians with? (Amos ix. 7.)
14. What did Ezekiel prophesy? (Ezek. xxx. 4, 9.)
15. What queen of Ethiopia is mentioned in the Bible? (Acts viii. 27.)
16. Who was converted while riding in a chariot and reading his Bible? (Acts viii. 26-39.)
17. On the day of Pentecost were there any at the meeting from Africa? (Acts ii. 10-12.)

[The questions, with references and Bibles, are distributed to the members of the band before the meeting is opened, and they find the answers and reply merely to the question asked, and do not read the whole passage unless required.]

QUESTION EXERCISE.

All who can answer these questions, please raise your right hand. Then call on one to answer, giving the younger the first chance on the easier questions.

Who of the band can bound Africa?

What are some of the countries of Africa?

What were the names of some of the ancient cities?

What are the names of some of the present cities?

Which is the largest river? How long?

Name other rivers and lakes.

What was Africa called by the ancients?

What is its area? What is its greatest length? What is its greatest breadth?

What was its population in 1872?

What races exist in Africa?

Are there any deserts in Africa? What is the climate?

What can you tell of the vegetation? Of the animals?

What are the religions?

Can you tell me anything of the language or literature of the country?

Anything of the commerce or currency?

What missionary work is being done in Africa?

Can any one give the names of Presbyterian missionary stations and names of missionaries?

What very ancient and interesting object is now in New York Central Park which came from Egypt?

How many of you have seen it?

NOTE.—The subject, Africa, is given out for study at previous monthly meetings, and on Sabbath when monthly meeting is announced, as a reminder.

WE are sorry that we have been obliged to omit till our next number the last chapter of *Three Marys* in order to make room for the Report of the Annual Assembly. It has been published in pamphlet form and can be obtained at this office. Price 5 cents.

At Home.

BOOK NOTICES.

INDIA—THE LAND AND THE PEOPLE. By Sir James Caird, K.C.B., F.R.S. 1 vol. 8vo. With map of India. \$1.50. Cassell & Co., New York.

THE very general desire for information in regard to the country of India will be gratified in reading this book. The author, Sir James Caird, was a member of the Famine Committee appointed by the English government to investigate the causes of the great famines which science predicts, and history proves, may be expected in India on an average of nine times in a century. The party left England in October, 1878, just after the great famine of 1876-8. This famine extended over a great part of the country, and embraced a population of over fifty millions. The loss in life and money was greater than in any similar visitation experienced within a hundred years. He visited, in an official capacity, all the provinces of the Indian empire, and was brought into contact with the native rulers as well as the people, and had opportunities for acquiring valuable information not possessed by the ordinary traveller. The results of his observations he gives in pen-pictures of life in India different from the usual stereotyped cuts.

Agriculture is the chief business of the population in India, and the examination was confined almost exclusively to the farming communities, yet we gain occasional glimpses of the great cities. The style is careless and inelegant, but the reader cannot fail to be interested in his graphic description of the actual condition of things in India. The suggestions of the author as to the best use to make of the available resources of the land in order to guard against the great suffering occasioned by these seasons of prolonged drouth seem wise and practical.

MODERN MISSIONS, THEIR TRIALS AND TRIUMPHS. By Robert Young. 416 pp. \$2.00. Cassell & Co., New York.

It seems needless to speak of this well-known book, a copy of the second edition of which we have just received from the publishers. In it Mr. Young brings the account of the work down to 1882. This con-

densed yet comprehensive outline of missionary labor is of such value that no mission worker can afford to be without it.

LIGHT IN LANDS OF DARKNESS. A Record of Mission Work in Greenland, Egypt, Syria, Persia, Labrador, South America, Armenia, etc., etc. By Robert Young, author of "Modern Missions." 401 pp. \$2.00. Cassell & Co., New York.

The author, in his second volume, completes the history of *all* Protestant missions throughout the world. We most cordially recommend these two volumes to all our readers.

STORY OF THE MERV. By Edward O'Donovan. 313 pp. Funk & Wagnalls, New York. Paper, 25 cents. Cloth, \$1.00.

This book is a condensation of the larger work of Mr. O'Donovan. It was prepared by him in order to meet the requirements of a large class of busy people who are anxious to get a true picture of the country described—Central Asia—and yet have not the time or inclination to wade through two massive volumes. The writer for many years was special correspondent of the *London Daily News*, and his accuracy of statement is unquestioned.

CURRENT LITERATURE AND MISSIONS.

Knowledge is of two kinds. We know a subject ourselves, or we know where we can find information upon it.—DR. SAMUEL JOHNSON.

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THE INDIANS' EXTREMITY. Gen. O. H. Howard. *The Independent*, April 10 and 17, 1884.

THE BRAHMO SOMAJ MOVEMENT IN INDIA. P. C. Mozoomdar. *Choice Literature*, April, 1884.

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BRAHMOISM. Abstract of an article in the *Church Missionary Intelligencer*. *The Foreign Missionary*, April, 1884.

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CHIEF JOSEPH, THE NEZ PERCE. C. E. S. Wood. *The Century*, May, 1884.

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SCENES IN SHANSE, CHINA. *The Missionary Herald*, May, 1884.

GOWANDA, N. Y.

REV. A. B. ROBINSON.

"CHRIST'S cross is the sweetest burden that I ever bore. It is such a burden as wings are to a bird or sails to a ship, to carry me to my harbor."

THERE is a right and a wrong way to do things, and a great many shades lying between these two extremes. To go into your classroom and say, "Now, children, we are going to take up a collection to-day for the poor benighted heathen across the ocean, and we hope you will give liberally to this cause," is about as useless a waste of words as can well be imagined. Remember you are dealing with people who care nothing about a "world lying in wickedness," or the "millions that sit in darkness." They are practical little sinners, every one of them; give them facts that they can see, or, as a child expressed it the other day, "Shut her eyes and see," and you will hold them. . . . All that is really needed, in order to develop in the children an absorbing interest in this work, is knowledge in detail on the part of our teachers. Object teaching is also an effective aid. Photographs of missionaries, images of idols, bits of foreign goods, specimens of fruits and plants which grow there, the veriest trifle itself, becomes, in skillful hands, a peg on which to hang a missionary lesson.—*Pansy in The Westminster Teacher*, March, 1884.

Question Corner.

IN response to one of the questions in the "Question Corner" of the April number I want to tell what some of our young ladies have done by way of starting a *missionary library*.

Not long ago we distributed through the pews of the church printed copies of our purpose in this direction, which were heartily endorsed by our pastor. At the end of three weeks something over sixty dollars had been sent to our treasurer. A special interest has been felt in this movement from the fact that we propose to give to the library the name of one of our number who has lately departed to be with Christ. She was the acknowledged leader in our society and known throughout the church. We now intend to invest our money in missionary literature, and are trusting that when the result is actually before the church many more will make offerings.

Yours truly, A. R.

MILWAUKEE.

What is the best method of organizing Sabbath-schools as mission bands?

BY mistake the price of "A Brief Record" was given in our last number as 50 instead of 60 cents.

WHEN it is absolutely necessary to send fractional parts of a dollar in postage stamps, our subscribers will confer a favor upon us by sending the amount in *ones only*.

W. F. M. S. of the Presbyterian Church.

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SUBJECT FOR PRAYER-MEETING.

ASSEMBLY ROOM, JUNE 2, 1884, 12 M.

AFRICA.—*Text*: "Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hands unto God."

Theme for Scripture Reading: "The principle of foreign missions." Rev. xxii. 17.

THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY.

At an early hour on the morning of April 30 it was evident that there was unusual interest centring in the Tenth Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia. At 9 o'clock the reception room began to fill with delegates from out of town, and the hour for commencing the services found the beautifully-trimmed audience room of the church filled with workers. Among the number were several well-known missionaries.

The devotional exercises, which commenced the services of the day, were conducted by Mrs. L. M. Eckard, of Abington, Pa. At 10.30 Mrs. W. E. Schenck, president of the society, took the chair, and the familiar words "All hail the power of Jesus' name" rang forth from the great throng which then filled the large audience room to its utmost capacity. Portions of Scripture from Matt. xxviii. and 1 Cor. i. were read by Mrs. Schenck, after which prayer was offered by Mrs. Samuel Minor, of Titusville, Pa. Mrs. Schenck then gave a most cordial "welcome home" to the assembled delegates, and, after alluding to what had been accomplished in the past, in a few earnest words urged the necessity of working, hoping and praying for greater things in the future. As the keynote of the meeting she gave the words "our trust" of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. To each Christian woman present she pressed home the question, "Shall we accept it?"

Mrs. J. M. Fishburn, treasurer, reported the receipts for the year as \$121,571.88.

The report of Miss S. W. Du Bois, home secretary, gave an encouraging view of this department of the work. The present number of auxiliaries is 1291, of which 65 have been organized during the past year. There are also 1017 young people's societies and bands.

The report of the foreign secretaries was given by Mrs. S. C. Perkins. Had we not just listened to the account of the thoroughly

organized effort and prayerful zeal of our home workers, it would have been past understanding how the women of the Church have been permitted to see such great results of this comparatively new woman's work for woman. In quick succession we were taken from point to point in the wide field. In one brief half hour we were presented to our 125 missionaries; caught peeps into some of the 125 day-schools which are under our care; marvelled at the excellence attained by the boarding-schools which are now planted in every land where the Board has carried its missions. From the faithful labors of the Bible readers, of whom there are 137 under the supervision of our missionaries, we learn a lesson of the value of patient continuance in well doing even in obscure places. We went with our workers into the zenanas of India and the dark homes of China. We heard good tidings from South America; from Mexico a thanksgiving for health renewed and work resumed; and from Japan most joyful sounds of praise, chastened by a note of sadness for the loss of the dear worker who has, during the year, been removed from that field to higher service. Canton, in China, and Corisco, in Africa, called for a special share of our sympathy and prayers in their trials. During the year we have had the privilege of bidding God-speed to 15 new missionaries, while a number have returned to the home land for needed rest.

The report of the Publication Committee was given by the chairman, Mrs. C. P. Turner. Here too we have reason for thanksgiving, in the increased circulation of our magazines. That of *Woman's Work* is now 10,750, with an advance of 1100 regular subscribers, while *Children's Work* has made an advance during the year of 3100 subscribers, having now attained a circulation of 15,500. Is it too much to hope that, with the same interest in its welfare which has been shown in the past, it may have reached the coveted 20,000 subscribers before the close of another year? There have been printed during the past year 30,000 leaflets, including the reprinting of a number of the old ones. Besides these there have been more than 15,000 mite-boxes, collectors' cards and envelopes distributed among auxiliaries and bands.

After the appointment of committees the morning session was closed with prayer.

In the interval between the meetings lunch was served in the lower rooms of the church to about six hundred people each day.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

2.30 P.M., the hour for the afternoon meeting, found the audience room filled to the doors. An overflow meeting was accordingly provided for in the lower rooms, where all available space was soon occupied. To this meeting the speakers from the upper room

went after addressing the larger audience, and it seems to be a question which of the meetings was the more interesting and spirited.

After a finely-rendered duet, "He that goeth forth with weeping," the afternoon meeting was opened with prayer by Mrs. Willson, of Beverly, N. J. Mrs. True, of Japan, told with shining face of the Pentecostal blessings which had been poured out upon that land. She spoke of what might be considered the slow progress of Christianity, which in twelve years has gained but 7000 converts out of 35,000,000 inhabitants, and yet of this number 2000 have been added to the Church during the past year; and still the interest is increasing, and requests for instruction in the way of life are so numerous that Christians are exclaiming with the disciples of old, "Whence shall we buy bread that these may eat?" In one small town north of Tokio we hear of 92 persons asking baptism. So great is the work that within the past six months meetings of missionaries and native Christians have been held repeatedly to consider the question, "How is it possible to meet the demands for the gospel?" What wonder that one exclaims, "Was there ever a time when a heathen land asked so for the gospel?" From Sachio recently came the message, "The Holy Spirit is being poured out upon our training-school." The wires over which this message flashed are stretched over the very spots where twelve years ago were placed the edicts against Christianity, notifying all passers that any person accepting the foreigners' religion should be beheaded. The Bancho school, which has been built but three years, is now so full that the kindergarten, a most important branch, has been crowded out.

Mrs. True was followed by Mrs. Edward Newton, of India, who spoke especially of the bazaar and zenana work. Her words fairly rang with their burden of joy in Christ's work. Mrs. Newton, before resuming her seat, sang by request one the Hindi Christian hymns to a native tune. As we listened to the sweet, plaintive refrain we imagined that we could hear the voices of our sisters across the sea, who had so often joined their voices with hers, and found help and comfort in these very words.

Mrs. Amandabai Joshee, the Brahmin lady who is now studying at the Woman's Medical College of Philadelphia, then gave a carefully-prepared address upon child marriage in India. She spoke in very pure English, and with a quiet self-possession and child-like simplicity that were very charming. She said that this custom has always been most prevalent among the Brahmin caste, and that very early marriages among them are less frequent than formerly. While she views the subject in a very different light from our own, she admits the physical evils of the system, but she

is very decided in her belief that any attempt to abolish it must come from the people themselves.

Mrs. John Newton, formerly of India, spoke with great earnestness of the needs of medical work, especially in India, and of the interest felt in the subject, as shown in the missionary conference in the Punjab. As we listened we were thankful that God had put it into the hearts of the women of this country to take a deeper interest in this question than ever before. We have already one missionary physician, who has just graduated from the Woman's Medical College of Philadelphia, and three more who are students there, also one who is studying in Canton, China.

If our space would permit, we would gladly take our readers to the evening meeting, where a vast audience again assembled to listen to the eloquent addresses of Drs. Jessup and Ellinwood. We must only pause to pass on the question which contains the thought of the closing remarks of Dr. Jessup, which is of vital interest to every one who believes in the kingdom of Christ—*"Where will you stop in this missionary work?"*

THURSDAY MORNING

was given up to setting our standard for the future. Those who were in that precious meeting for conference of presbyterial officers felt that they were indeed near to the very heart of the work. It was such an experience as one has when, after going through a great factory, where there are hundreds of busy hands, flashing wheels and noisy machinery, one goes down and sees the engine that is the motive power of it all. There is not a great array of intricate machinery, but in every stroke of the great piston rod there is POWER. So here we saw that, after all, this woman's work, that is beginning to be recognized as a part of the world's work, is only carried on by the hands of women, who are a power not because they are wise or great or famous or remarkable in the world's eyes, but because, far down beneath all the busy exterior, they have laid hold by the prayer of faith on the very Arm that moves the world.

At 10.30 the devotional exercises in the audience room, conducted by Mrs. James W. Bruen, of Clayton, N. J., were opened with prayer by Mrs. Joel Parker. The same spirit of prayerful earnestness that had prevailed in the earlier meeting characterized the exercises of this half hour.

At 11 o'clock, after a solo, "Come unto me, all ye that labor," we listened to a practical and spirited address from Mrs. H. H. Forsythe, of Princeton, N. J., upon the organization of Sabbath-schools and missionary societies. As this address in a large measure answered the ever-recurring question, "What shall we do with our

boys?" we propose to give it to our readers in the future more fully than time or space will now permit.

After the singing of a hymn, Mrs. Perkins presented the new work for the year. Here, for the first time, the claims of the Chieng Mai hospital were fairly presented. This, it will be remembered, is distinctively the work of the young people. To our women is presented the cause of the Training-School for Nurses in Japan, to which the earnest efforts of Mrs. Ballagh while with us, and the influence of her memory since she was removed from our midst, have already given an impetus. Mrs. Perkins, in presenting this new work, begged that it might not in any case lead to a dropping of the old. While there is need of constantly enlarging our borders, the old posts must be faithfully held.

The conference which followed was, to many, the very soul of the meeting. The following points, which had been brought up at the meeting of presbyterial officers before referred to, were presented and discussed.

The question, "Shall we have a printed form of prayer for use in our auxiliary meetings?" excited much interest, but was decided in the negative. It was also thought best not to reprint the missionary hymn-books. Separate blanks will hereafter be provided for bands and young people's societies, as the space allotted on those of auxiliaries is not sufficient.

It was voted to continue the Christmas dime offering, which was so successfully inaugurated last year by the secretaries of the Board. The necessity of keeping the bands more closely connected with the work of the church was urged. They should have the support and sympathy of all, not depend upon the efforts and zeal of one or two. As Thursday of the Week of Prayer has usually been observed as a day of special prayer for foreign missions, the societies were advised to hold their January meetings upon that day.

Especial attention was called to the decision of the Executive Committee to close the books of the treasurer on the 20th of April. This, to many, may seem a matter of trifling importance, but to those at the front, who know how large a proportion of our receipts are sent in hurriedly at the last moment, it is a serious matter.

The delegates present also unanimously voted an advance of ten per cent. upon the amount raised last year. While our actual receipts for the year just closed were about four hundred dollars greater than those of the previous year, our payments to the Board were less by some fifteen hundred dollars. This apparent inconsistency may be explained by the fact that the contributions to the Medical Fund are not included in the estimates of the Board, and the Training-School for Nurses in Japan belongs to the work of this new year. A report of this conference would be incomplete which

did not make mention of the prayerful spirit that prevailed, and of the often-expressed desire that, with all these plans for work, the first thing might be personal consecration to the Master's service.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Upon the recommendation of the Nominating Committee, the names of all the old officers were proposed for the ensuing year. The Committee on Place of Meeting reported that cordial invitations had been extended from Washington, D. C., Baltimore, Md., and Pittsburgh, Pa. As Washington was the first upon the list, it was decided to accept the invitation from there.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Resolutions, a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the various committees whose thoughtfulness had added so much to the comfort of the delegates, and to those who by their sweet music had given such pleasure to all.

After the report of the committees, Mrs. C. N. Thorpe, of Philadelphia, Pa., made the "Mute Appeal" eloquent, as she pressed home to each one the thought that it was without significance to us unless we recognize the fact that "the field is the world, that it is our world, and that Christ is able to save it." Mrs. Perkins then made an earnest appeal for more missionaries, and for more prayer for those who are now laboring in the dark places of the world. She then read a letter to those who are thinking of entering upon missionary labors, from one who has herself taken up the work during the past year. It urged a careful weighing of the arguments *pro* and *con* in deciding this most serious question. Earnest prayer for the work and the workers was offered by Mrs. E. E. Swift, of Allegheny, Pa. A few well-chosen farewell words from Mrs. Schenck, then the words of the doxology rising from hundreds of hearts and voices, and the Fourteenth Annual Assembly was closed. What the results of these meetings, the "commencement exercises" of another year, shall be, rests with each one of us as a great personal responsibility.

We have said that the Assembly proper closed with the afternoon meeting, but those who attended the

MAY MEETING OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE

in the evening felt that this was a grand conclusion to those two days of high privilege. At an early hour groups of children and young people too old to be longer classed among the children, but not too old to belong to the mission band, began to assemble. Band after band arrived, brave little men and maidens whose every missionary penny cost some bit of self-denial, bright boys and girls

who came from homes of luxury and ease, but all meeting on one footing in this grand work upon which their hearts are set. Long before 7.30 P.M. the body of the house was literally packed with young people, and any one looking over that sea of bright, earnest faces would have said, in answer to the question asked by Dr. Jessup, "*Never* will this missionary work end until Christ's kingdom comes, if we can keep the children!"

We often speak of the inspiration of numbers; surely the speakers that evening must have felt it. Dr. Wynkoop, of India, drew rapid word pictures of life in India; Dr. Cheek, of the Laos country, held the rapt attention of all as he described the "land of the white elephant," and showed the wonderful handiwork in which the people excel. At last, when he drew a vivid picture of the horrible superstition of the people, nowhere shown as in their treatment of the sick, one could plainly read the determination in more than one of the eager upturned faces that "that hospital *must* be built." And when the collection was taken the generous "nest-egg" of \$220 was announced as the result, showing that the faces were correctly read.

Dr. Jessup then gave us various experiences of missionary life. The children were fired with enthusiasm by the accounts of what faithful followers of Jesus had done in Syria. They frowned at the harshness of the Syrian father who punished his little daughter for keeping the Sabbath; they roared with laughter at the droll pictures of Syrian village life, and answered with looks full of zeal as the missionary in closing held up to them the glorious privilege of carrying the story of the cross back to the land where the cross was first planted, and to other lands where its story had never been told.

It was nearly ten o'clock when the benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. B. Howell, of Brazil. "Too long a missionary meeting," do you say? I doubt if you could get one of the young folks who had listened open-eyed, yes, and often open-mouthed too, to agree with you.

TREASURERS of auxiliary and presbyterial societies who have received contributions for the Chieng Mai Hospital are requested to forward the same to Mrs. Julia M. Fishburn, treasurer, 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, by June 1, that we may be able to report progress in our July number.

We have already received proof that the children's sympathies are enlisted in their new work, and are more than ever convinced that any object which can count upon the support of the young people is sure to succeed.

NEW AUXILIARIES.

Allegheny Pres., Freedom, Pa.; Evans City, Pa.	Lackawanna Pres., Pittston, Pa.; Nanticoke, Pa.
Baltimore Pres., Grace Ch., Baltimore; Light St. Ch., Baltimore; Abbott Chapel, Baltimore; Govane Chapel, Govanestown; Bethel Ch., Jarrettsville.	Monmouth Pres., Bordentown, N. J.
Lehigh Pres., Mahanoy City, Pa.	Northumberland Pres., Sunbury, Pa.
	Philadelphia Pres., 15th Ch.
	Philadelphia Central Pres., Trinity Ch.
	Washington City Pres., Assembly Ch., Washington, D. C.

BANDS.

Asbury Park, Berean Bd.	Great Bend, Pa., S. S. Bd.
Belair, Md., Mission Bd.	Hackettstown, N. J., The Helpers and Boys' Bd.
Burlington, N. J., Girls' Bd.	M'Ewensville, Pa., Busy Bees.
Cadiz, O., The Saviour's Jewels.	Mifflinburg, Pa., Band of Hope.
Cleveland, O., Euclid St. Ch., Crusaders' Bd.; 1st Ch., Sarah Fitch Bd. and Girls' Missionary Society.	Mt. Sterling, O., Y. P. B. and Little Gleaners.
Danville, N. J., The Gleaners.	Nanticoke, Pa., S. S. Birthday Bd.
Dayton, O., 1st Ch., George Coan Bd.	Ocean Beach, N. J., Mission Bd.
East Springfield, Pa., Susie Cross Bd.	Orange, N. J., Central Ch., Y. L. Bd.
Franklin, Pa., S. S. Bd.	Philadelphia, Pa., 10th Ch., Boys' Bd.; Wharton St. Ch., Crusaders' Bd.
Freedom, Pa., Y. L. Bd.	Ridgeway, O., Stepping Stones.
Germantown, Pa., Market Sq. Ch., S. S. Bd.	

NEW LIFE MEMBERS.

Asay, Mrs. Emily	Hueston, Mrs. C. E.
Barclay, Mrs. Isaiah D.	March, Mrs. F. W.
Bellis, Miss Louisa	Marion, Mrs. W. E.
Benedict, Mrs. Sarah J.	Marsh, Miss Melinda
Brodhead, Mrs. Emily C.	M'Kelvy, Mrs. David
Bush, Miss Lily	Mather, Mrs. Flora
Bushnell, Miss Ellen W.	Morgan, Mrs. M. H.
Caldwell, Miss Alice	Opdyke, Mrs. N. B.
Cann, Miss Louise	Reed, Mrs. Ann Eliza
Crobaugh, Mrs. Sarah	Stone, Mrs. Amasa
Field, Mrs. M. H.	Taylor, Mrs. H. P.
Fithian, Miss Jennie	Taylor, Miss Martha
Gage, Robert Condit	Wallace, Miss Corinne
Goddard, Mrs. E. L.	Watson, Mrs. Deborah
Hall, Miss S. S.	Welch, Miss Martha
Hays, Mrs. Lizzie L.	West, Mrs. Gertrude
Holliday, Mrs. Marie A.	

Receipts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, from April 1, 1884.

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.]

IN order not to abridge too much our reading matter in this month's issue, we publish only part of our receipts for April; the balance will be given in the July *Woman's Work*. Our total receipts for the month are \$51,259 15.

ATHENS.—Amesville Aux., 8; Beverly, 11 50; Logan, 35 05; Marietta Aux., 5, Y. L. B., 15 50; Middleport, 7 85; New Plymouth, 48; Tupper's Plains, 6. 136 90

BALTIMORE.—Baltimore, 2d, Aux., train. sch. Japan, 10 00

CARLISLE.—Carlisle, 1st, Aux., Miss'y and Gen. Fund, 57 13; Golden Chain Bd. (Miss'y Dakota, 20 61), 71 74; Carlisle, 2d, Aux., Miss'ys and Gen. Fund, 70; Pearl Seekers, sch'p Bancho, 35, Miss'y, 5; Anna West Bd., Miss'y, 7, S. S. (Corea, 10, sch'p

Bancho, 15), 50; Chambersburg, Central Aux. (Miss'y, 5), 41, Earnest Workers (Miss'y, 2 20), 23 45; Chambersburg, Falling Spring Aux., sch. Lahore, Miss'ys and Gen. Fund, 75 88, Y. L. B., sch'p Dehra and Miss'ys, 138, Busy Bees, sch'p India, 30, Simpson Culbertson Bd., Lodiana bld'g, 20 14; Chambersburg, Wilson College, Miss'y, 25; Dauphin Aux., Miss'ys, 22; Dickinson Aux., sch'p Ningpo, 40, Miss'y, 10; Gettysburg, Master's Helping Bd., sch'p Sidon, 40, S. S., Miss'y, 29 80; Greencastle Aux., sch'p Beirut, 15, Miss'y, 32, Corea, 2, Y. L. B., sch'p Lodiana, 30, Miss'y, 16 63, Lilies of Valley, sch'p Tunghchow, 25; Green Hill Aux., Miss'y, 6; Harrisburg, 1st Aux. (Miss'y, 50, tr. sch. Japan, 10, sch'p Yokohama, 35), 107, Mrs. Robinson's class, tr. sch. Japan, 12 50, C. M. F. Corea, 20, Daniels Bd., Miss'y, 25, Bd. of Hope, 10, Macedonian Bd., tea. sch. Yokohama, 30; Harrisburg, Pine St. Aux., Miss'ys, 92, Chinese Home, 25, Lodiana bld'g, 10, Corea, 10, Syrian Helpers, sch'p Sidon, 50, Talitha Cumi Bd., sch'p Wewoka, 50, Mary Campbell Bd., sch'p tr. sch. Canton, 15, Anything for Jesus and Little Reapers, sch'p Canton, 15, Brave and True, sch'p Gaboon, 15, Miss Alrick's class, sch'p Gaboon, 15, Miss Hay's class, Miss'y, 28; Harrisburg, Westminster Aux., sch. Syria, 50, Band, same, 12, S. S., 30 79, Bible class, 2, H. Eddy Bd., 7 21 (40), sch'p Shanghai, John Frazer's mite-box, Miss'y, 35 ets.; Harrisburg, 7th St. Aux., Miss'ys, 34 58, work Kolhapur, 10; The Pigeons (Miss'y, 6), 50 58; A lady, tr. sch. Yokohama, 1; Ichesburg, Mrs. Liggett, thank-off., Miss'y, 6 25; Lower Marsh Creek Bd., Miss'y, 36; Landisburg Aux., 8, Busy Bees, 1; Lower Path Valley Aux., Miss'y, 25, Willing Workers, Miss'y, 40; McConnellsburg, Coral Workers, 15, J. B. Hoke, 5; Mechanicsburg Aux., 45 94, Y. L. B., 4 06 (50), sch. Lahore, Hopeful Workers, boys' sch. Tunghchow, 10; Mercersburg Y. L. B. (sch'p Lodiana, 30), 52, Thomas Creigh Bd. (Miss'y, 25), 41 63; Millerstown Aux., Miss'y, 10; Newville, Big Spring Aux. (Miss'y, 22 38), 75, Hope Bd., 20; Hopeful Workers, nat. tea. Beirut, 100, Miss'ys, 20, Co-

rea, 5, Dew Drops, Miss'y, 25 18; Paxton Aux., Miss'y, 35, Cheerful Givers, Miss'y, 18; Petersburg Aux., Miss'y, 10; Rocky Spring and Strasburg Aux., 7 50; Shippensburg, Miss'y, 53 25, Y. L. B., sch'p Tunghchow, 40, Hull Bd., Kolhapur, 10; Upper Path Valley, Miss'y, 34 75; Waynesboro' Aux. (Miss'y, 25), 60; Mrs. J. Fleming, tr. sch. Japan, 2; A friend, same, 1; A friend, Corea, 10. 2370 63

CHESTER.—Downingtown Aux., 6, S. S., 23 90; Diworthtown, 12 34; Fagg's Manor, 40; Fairview, 25; Forks of Brandywine, 47; Frazer, 10; Nottingham, 4 50; Upper Octorara Aux., Miss'y India, 100, Bands, boy Tunghchow, 40. 308 74

CINCINNATI.—Avondale Aux. (sch'p Dehra, 40), 90 78, Boys' Bd., 34; Bethel Aux., 13; Cincinnati, 1st Aux., 106 05, Young Men's Bd., 25, Girls' Bd., 19 80; Cincinnati, 2d Aux., 204 50, Y. L. Mem. Bd., sup. Miss'y N. A. Indians, 150; Cincinnati, 3d Aux., 50, S. S., sch'p Dehra, 30; Cincinnati, 5th Aux., 50; Cincinnati, 6th Aux., 8, Y. L. B., Miss'y, 25; Cincinnati, 7th Aux., 101 30, Lights for Darkness, Miss'y, 102 21, sch'p Benita, 15; Central Aux., Miss'y China, 200, S. S., sch'p (boy) Tunghchow, 40, Little Gleaners, 7; Cincinnati, Cumminsville Aux., sch. Mexico, 50, Y. L. B., same, 75, Miss'y N. A. Indians, 20; Cincinnati, Clifton Aux., 51; Mt. Auburn Aux., Miss'y Tunghchow, 184 55, A young lady, Miss'y N. A. Indians, 10, Willing Workers, same, 40, sch'p Benita, 15; Cincinnati, Sabbath Day Aux., 49; Walnut Hills Aux., 169 55, Mrs. C. Hitchcock, sch'p Tunghchow, 20, Humphrey Mem. Bd., Miss'y, 50, special off., 50, Peace Makers, 12; Cleves Aux., L. M., 25; College Hill Aux. (25 L. M.), 35; Y. P. Soc., sch'p Tripoli, 50, Miss'y, 6 10; Primary S. S., birthday boxes, 4 53; Delhi Aux., nat. tea. Lahore, 15; Glendale, Earnest Workers, sch'p Sidon, 40, Headlights, boy Tunghchow, 13; Lebanon Aux., 70; Loveland Aux., 40; Ludlow Grove S. S., 2; Montgomery Aux., 17 25; Morrow Aux., Mexico, 40; Pleasant Ridge Aux., 12 72; Reading and Lockland Aux., 8; Somerset S. S., 3; Springdale Aux., 30; Westwood Aux., sch'p Sidon, 50; Wyoming Aux. (sch'p Yokohama, 30),

57 83; Collection at Annual Meeting, 170. 2819 17

CLEVELAND.—Ashtabula Aux., 18 60; Brecksville Aux., 19, Band, 13 50; Collamer Aux., 8; Chester Aux., 17 50, Y. P. B., 13; Cleveland, 1st, Aux., 154 95; Cleveland, Woodland Ave. Aux., 277 79, Sarah Adams Band, 148 46; Cleveland, North Ch. Aux., 11, Youthful Helpers, 21 61; Case Ave. Aux., 119 86; Cleveland, South Aux., 9 40; Cleveland, Euclid Ave. Aux., 201, Bird's Nest Band, 25; Cleveland, Wilson Ave. Ch., Laughlin Band, 12; 2d Ch., S. S. Class, 12; Northfield Aux., 10; North Springfield, 11 25; Orwell, 9 25; Parma, Aux. and Gleaners, 3 25; Rome, 16 46; Wiloughby Aux., 50; Mrs. E. De Witt, 5 (1187 88) [applied as directed to missionaries, etc.]; Collamer, Ainanoub Band, sch. Syria, 20; Cleveland, Case Ave., Y. L. B., sch'p Kolhapur, 25; Euclid Ave. Aux., sch'p Sao Paulo, 100; Woodland Ave., Sarah Adams Band, nat. tea. Futtehghur, 50, bld'g funds, 20; Bushnell Boys, sch'p Gaboon, 15, sch'p Bangkok, 30; N. Springfield Bd., sch. Canton, 10; Northfield Bd., Bogota, 7 07; Seville Aux., sch'p Canton, 15. 1479 95

COLUMBUS.—Blendon Aux., zen. vis., 33; Y. P. B., hosp. Petchaburi, 10; Central College Aux., zen. vis., 25; Circleville Aux., same, 53 07; Columbus, 1st Aux., 15; Columbus, 2d Aux. (Miss'y, 115 80), 120, Y. L. B., sch'p Gaboon, 15, tr. sch. Japan, 15, Earnest Workers, sch'p Dehra, 20, Dehra bld'g, 12, Boys' Band, sch'p Gaboon, 10, Primary School, 18; Columbus, Hoge Aux., Miss'y, 23 10, Bd., sch'p Canton, 15; Columbus, Westminster (Miss'y, 25 80), 30 80, Y. L. B. (sch'p Allahabad, 20), 41 75, Busy Gleaners (sch'p Saharanpur, 30), 33; Dublin Aux., 7; Groveport, 11 50; Lancaster Aux., Panalla mission, 42 03, S. S., same, 27, 97; Lithopolis Aux., 22, Aunt Miner's thank-off., 5; London Aux., zen. vis., 25, Med. Fund, 4 50, Finley Band (nat. tea. Futtehghur, 12 50), 17 47, Cheerful Givers, 5, Faithful Workers, 13, Daisy and Violet's Mites, 5 40; Lower Liberty Aux., zen. vis., 24 05, Y. L. B., same, 12 20, Buds of Promise, 3 16; Mifflin Aux., 36 25; Mount Stirling Aux., 14; Rush Creek Aux., zen. vis., 14; Scioto Aux.,

4 25; Worthington Aux., 9 60; Misc., 10. 803 10

DAYTON.—Blue Ball Aux. (Medical Fund, 16), 36, Boys' Band of Hope, 10; Camden Aux., Med. Fund, 5; Clifton Aux., sch. Syria, 105, Y. L. B., Med. Fund, 72; Dayton, 1st Aux., 116 60; Y. L. B.; zen. work, 25, S. S., Med. Fund, 50, boy Tunghchow, 40; Dayton, 3d St. Ch. Aux., Med. Fund, 2240, Y. L. B., day-sch. Hangchow, 75, S. S., sch'ps India, Persia and Japan, 98; Dayton, 4th Aux., 20; Dayton, Park, Y. P. Soc., 50; Dayton, Memorial Aux., Corisco, 25, Band, sch'p Baneho, 50; Eaton Aux., 11 90, King's Daughters, 3 30; Franklin Aux. (Med. Fund, 20), 26 85; Fletcher Aux., Med. Fund, 20; Greenville Aux. (Med. Fund, 30 50), 50 60, Girls' Band, 1 55; Hamilton Aux. (Med. Fund, 20, sch'p Oroomiah, 30), 64 60, Band, 41 04; Middletown Aux., 13 47; New Jersey Aux., 16 46, Bright Lights, 9 70; Piqua Aux. (Med. Fund, 112), 139 43, S. S., day-sch., Canton, 31; Seven Mile, Olives (Med. Fund, 16 76), 38 50; Somerville, 9 50; South Charleston, Med. Fund, 5; Springfield, 1st Aux. (sch'ps tr. sch. Canton, 105), 164, Y. L. B., 69, Willing Workers, Canton, 45, Med. Fund, 25, S. S., Med. Fund, 88, Jesus' Lambs, sch'p Ningpo, 40; Springfield, 2d Aux., schs. Saharanpur, 35, Med. Fund, 300, for L. M., 25; Troy Aux., sch. Mexico, 30, Med. Fund, 16, Y. P. Soc., sch. Canton, 40; Xenia Aux., 77 80, Y. L. Soc., Med. Fund, 19 50; col. at Pres. meeting, 60 33. 4529 13

EAST FLORIDA.—St. Augustine, 16 50

ELIZABETH.—Basking Ridge Aux., zen. work Etawah, 43, Band, sch'p Mynpurie, 30; Cranford Aux., sch'p Kohlapur, 25; Clinton Aux., 16 65; Elizabeth, F. M. Asso. (bal. for sup. of Mrs. Tedford, 231 35), 647 72, 1st Ch., Mary Morrison Band, day-sch. Ningpo, 75; 2d Ch. Band, sch'p Kolhapur, 30; Mrs. Orcott's Class, sch'p Kolhapur, 8 25; 3d Ch., Willing Workers, sch'p Gaboon, 15; Westminster Band, sch. Jedaideh, 100, sch'p Yokohama, 30, bld'g funds, 100; Metuchen Aux., bal. for sch'p Mynpurie, 15, L. M., 25, G. F., 10; Elizabethport Bd., Gaboon, 21; New Providence Aux., 112; Plainfield Aux., Miss'y Brazil, 184 42; 1st Ch. S. S., sch'p Dehra, 60, Mission Band,

sch'p Sao Paulo, 50; Pluckamin, sch'p Bangkok, 29 80; Crescent Band, 8 26; Rahway, 1st Aux., sch'p Sidon, 44 46; Sharon Band, 50, Mamie Boyd Mem. Band, 12 50; Rahway, 2d Aux. (sch'p Ningpo, 40), 80, Harvest Band (sch'p Teheran, 50), 55; Roselle Aux., 75, S. S., sch'p Lodiana, 30; Springfield Aux., 63; Summit Bd., 8 50; Westfield Aux., Sao Paulo sch., 25; Woodbridge Aux., 59. 2138 56

ERIE.—Belle Valley (sch'p tr. sch. Canton, 9), 14 65; Cambridge Aux., 47 44, Y. L. Soc., 11 15, Bartlett Bd., 5; Cochranton Aux., 5 35, Bd., 5; Cooperstown, 40; Corry, sch'p Wewoka, 10; Edinboro', 11 50; Erie 1st (sup. Miss'y Montana, 100), 137; Erie, Central Aux., Miss'y, 75; Erie Chestnut St., 11 85; Erie, Park Aux., Miss'y, 200, Coral Workers, China, 3 16; Fairview, sch'p Mynpurie, 30; Franklin Aux. (Child's paper Shanghai, 50, Oakland Mission, Cal., 62 41), 127 07, Lily Bd., 4 50; Fredonia, 6 50; Girard, 11 83; Gravel Run Aux., 13 56, Y. P. Soc., 17; Greenville Aux., 72 31, Y. L. Soc., 13 15, Eunice Critchlow Bd., 22 18; Harbor Creek, 8; Meadville 1st, work San Francisco, 25; Meadville 2d, 21; Mercer 1st, 9; Mercer 2d, 21 30; North East Aux. (sch'p Mynpurie, 30), 56 59, Children's Bd., sch'p Benita, 15; Oil City 1st (2 L. Ms.), 65, Y. L. Soc., 17 40; Pittsfield, 14; Pleasantville Aux., 18, S. S. Bd., 8, Infant Cl., 7; Sandy Lake, 34 45; Sheakleyville, 4 60; Springfield, 45 75; Sunville, 10; Tidioute, 66 47; Titusville Aux., Miss'y Japan, 600, bld'g fund, 117 36, S. S., boys' day sch. Sidon, 100, Alexander Bd. (sch'p Yokohama, 40), 86 73, Y. L. Soc., bld'g fund, 20; Union City, 15 94; Utica, 13; Warren, Mrs. Henry and Mrs. Wetmore, sch'p Gaboon, 12 50; Waterford, 41 40. 3148 69

GENESEE.—Attica Aux., 10 75, Sao Paulo Bd., Sao Paulo sch., 79; Batavia Aux., schs. Tokio, 125, Gen. Fund, 10, S.S. (sch'p Shanghai, 40), 65; Bethany Aux., sch. Syria, 10 43; Byron, sch. Syria, 23; Castile, schs. Tokio, 25, Y. P. B., 17; Elba sch. Syria, 30; East Pembroke, 14 27; Le Roy, 104; North Bergen, sch. Syria, 42 14; Oakfield, sch. Syria, 11; Pike, 13; Warsaw Aux., 95, Y. L. B., 29 75, Earnest Workers, 75 cts.; Wyoming Aux., 43 76; Col. at Ann. Meeting, 16. 769 85

HUDSON.—Ramapo Aux., 25 40
HUNTINGDON.—Bellefonte, Beaver Bd., sch'p San Francisco, 14; Clearfield, a friend, Med. Fund, 40 cts.; Duncansville, add'l, 7 50; Huntingdon Aux., add'l, 19 10, Lilies of the Valley, add'l, 5; Lewistown Aux., add'l, 12, Busy Workers, 2, Christian Workers (boys), 5; Mifflintown Aux., add'l, 12 50; Mt. Union, a lady, sp., 1; Penfield, Y. L. B., add'l, 2; Port Royal Aux., tr. sch. Japan, 17 50; Spruce Creek, sp., two ladies, 100. 198 00

JERSEY CITY.—Englewood Aux., schs. Schweifat, Syria, 500, Mexican Club, sch. Sao Paulo, 60, day sch. Canton, 75; Hoboken Aux. (nat. tea. Sidon, 100), 110, Wood Violets, sch'p Dehra, 40, work Peking, 15, bld'g fund, 117; Jersey City, 1st, Aux., students Tokio, 195, Chrysanthemum Bd., sch'p Yokohama, 30; Jersey City, 2d, Aux., 50; Jersey City Heights (Bergen), Miss'y Bogota, 140 42; Passaic Aux., Industrial sch. Seneca Indians, 100, Daisy Bd., sch'p Yokohama, 30, Sao Paulo sch., 13; Paterson, 1st, Aux., 131; Paterson, 2d, Aux., 30; Rutherford Aux., 71 32, Heart and Hand Bd., Lodiana bld'g, 25; Tenafly Aux. (nat. tea. Dehra, 50), 75, Y. L. Soc., sch'p Orooniah, 30; West Hoboken, Workers, 25; West Milford Aux., 45; Mrs. Dr. Forman, L. M., 25. 1932 74

KITTANNING.—Apollo Aux., 27 47, Hopeful Bd., 7 79, Faithful Workers, 2 24 (37 50), Miss'y India; Clinton, 8; Freeport, Y. L. B., zenana work, 50; Gilgal, 11; Leechburg, Miss'y Siam, 25; Marion, 17; Mechanicsburg Aux. and Bd., sch. Saharanpur, 30; Saltsburg Aux., 25; Plumville, 11; Tunnelton, 8 50. 223 00

LACKAWANNA.—Athens Aux., sch'p Sidon, 12 50, Willing Workers, Miss'y Africa, 50; Barclay, Miss'y, 30; Bennett, 11; Canton Aux., Miss'y, 16 50, Bd., Miss'y India, 7 64; Carbondale Aux., Miss'y, 60, Hands and Hearts for Jesus, sch'p Lodiana, 30, Y. P. Soc., 120, Willing Workers, 46 92; Coalville, 12; East Canton Aux., Miss'y Africa, 15, Penny Helpers, Miss'y India, 15; Franklin, 14 50; Great Bend Aux., 8 31, Bd., 12 57; Harmony, 39; Hawley Aux., sch. Mexico, 3, Miss'y, 15, Hopeful Workers, 10; Honesdale Aux. (sch'p Orooniah, 30), 51 55, Boys' Valley Bd., Lodiana bld'g,

15, Busy Bees, Mexico, 5, Hopeful Workers, 30, Mission Helpers, sch'p Kolhapur, 30; Kingston, Miss'y, 40; Langeliffe Aux., sch. Syria, 26 15, Moosic, S. S., work Talaguga, 35 62; Liberty, 8; Monroctown, Miss'y, 12 50; Montrose Aux., sch'p and bld'g Tripoli, 87 50, Bright Jewels, sch'p Lodiana, 30; Nanticoke Aux., 6, S. S., 9 76, Miss'y; New Milford, same, 24; Nicholson, same, 4 26; Orwell, Japan, 16 26; Plymouth, sch. Syria, 28 50; Scranton, 1st, Aux., 75, a friend, tr. sch. Japan, 20, Juv. Miss. Assoc., Miss'y Beirut, 125, Lilies of the Field, work Talaguga, 30; Scranton, 2d, Aux., Miss'y India, 81; Scranton, Green Ridge Ave. Aux., boys' sch. Sidon, 45, Mary Campbell Bd., sch'p Lodiana, 30; Scranton, Washburn St. Aux., Miss'y Laos, 11 15; Shickshinny Aux., 12, S. S., 21 59; Stevensville Aux., 14 36, Bd., 8 64, zenana work; Susquehanna Aux., 13 76, Mite Gatherers, 27 (40 76), sch'p Bancho; Sylvania, Miss'y, 5; Towanda Aux., same, 50, Overton Bd., 7 50, Stewart Bd., 7 50, sch'ps Benita, Stewart Bd., work Talaguga, 30; Troy Aux. (Miss'y, 20), 40, Birthday Bd., Miss'y, 10, Willing Helpers, sch'p Tripoli, 12 50; Wells and Columbia, Miss'y, 9; West Pittston Aux., 68 30, Children's Bd., sch'p Canton, 6; Wilkesbarre, 1st, Aux., Miss'y, 200, Mrs. Loop's Bd., tr. sch. Japan, 30; Wilkesbarre, Mem. Ch. Aux., Mexico, 100, Whosoever Will Bd. (boy Tungchow, 40), 65, Willing Workers (boys), 25; Wyalusing, 2d (Miss'y, 12 50), 43; Wyoming Aux., 16 35, Bd., 6 65; Wysox Aux, 15; Miscellaneous, tr. sch. Japan, 60. 2265 34

LEHIGH.—Audenried Aux., 16; Mauch Chunk Aux., 48 40. 64 40

MAHONING.—East Palestine, 9 05; North Jackson, 19 85; Youngstown, 54 22; Mrs. H. B. Wick, 100. 183 12

MARION.—Ashley, 14 60; Berlin, 9; Brown, 35 25; Cardington, 22; Delaware Aux., 198 30, Y. P. B., 58, Gleaners, 9; Delhi Aux., 16 75, Oasis Bd., 4 75; Iberia, 40; Liberty, 57 18; Marion Aux., 169 87, Landes Bd. (sch'p Lodiana, 30), 35, Laughlin Bd., 18; Marysville, 106 70; Mt. Gilead, 34 50; Milford Centre, 29 47; Ostrander, 47 10, Mursel Bd., 5 36; Pisgah, 24; Providence, 2 40; Radnor, 3 25; Richwood, 2 50; Trenton (B. R. Canton,

38), 44 20; West Berlin Aux., 23, Youthful Warriors, 11; York, 7 20. 1028 43

MONMOUTH.—Allentown sch. Sao Paulo, 100; Asbury Park Aux., 17, Berean Bd., 15; Beverly Aux., 64 88, Willing Workers, 20 12, Grace Mission Bd., 17 06; Burlington Aux., add'l, 5 27; Cranbury 1st, work Chananfou, 50; Cranbury, 2d; Aux. (Miss'y Africa, 50, sch'p Bangkok, 25), 145 70, S. S., sch. Bangkok, 25, Fruit Gleaners, 34 30; Freehold Aux., Miss'y, 14 05, Mrs. Parker's cl., sch. Syria, 25, Mrs. Walker's cl., work Africa, 10; Jamesburg Aux., 75, S. S., 2 sch'ps Mynpurie, 60; Manchester, Armor Bearers, 10; Manasquan, 45 70; Shrewsbury Miss'y, 78 75. 939 83

MORRIS AND ORANGE.—Boonton Aux., work Nanking, 93 03; Chatham sch'ps India, 50; Dover, 37 80; Orange Central, Chieng Mai Hospital, 75; Schooley's Mountain Aux., 25, Light Bearers, 32, The Handful, 8 10, Infant School, 1 60, Kitty Uhle's mite box, 3 30 (70), for sch'p Beirut and work Persia. 325 83

NEWARK.—Bloomfield, 1st, Miss'y and sch'ps, Canton, 214 66; Westminster Aux., 24 35; Caldwell, sch. Canton, 70 62; Hanover, sch. and B. R. Canton, 81; Newark, 3d, Miss'y, 45 71; South Park, Miss'y (25 for L. M.), 259 71; Central, sch. Canton, 50; High St., Miss'y, 83 05, Fanny Meeker Bd., sch'p Futtchgurh, 30; Park, Miss'y, 58 57; 6th, S. S., 2 sch'ps Canton, 30, Primary School, sch'p Canton, 15; Roseville Aux., Miss'y Syria, 164 25, Hattie Eddy Bd. (sch'p Dehra, 40), 70; Wickeliffe, B. R. Canton, 51. 1247 92

NEW BRUNSWICK.—Amwell United 1st, a lady for L. M., 25; Ewing Aux., B. R. Furrukhabad, 50, Bd., sch'p Tungchow, 40; Trenton Prospect St. Aux., Sao Paulo sch., 30; Trenton 2d Ch., a few ladies, 12. 157 00

NEW CASTLE.—Bridgeville, 8 50; Glasgow, 60 cts.; Head of Christiana, 21; Port Deposit, 50; Port Penn, S. S., 14 34; Rehoboth, 10; Westminster, 19 50; White Clay Creek, 20 70; Wilmington Cen., Y. P. Soc., 250; West Ch., Bd., 30; sale of pictures, 50 cts. 425 14

NEWTON.—Andover Aux., 3 15; Belvidere, 1st, Aux., Miss'y Lahore, 40, S. S., sch'p Benita, 25, Infant Sch., tr. sch., Japan, 2, Ladies for L. M.,

25; Belvidere, 2d, Aux., sch'p Beirut, 42, Paul Bd., Miss'y Liberia, 20, Little Drops of Water, 13; Blairstown Aux. (Miss'y, 50), 80, Blair Hall, sch'p Ningpo, 25, tr. sch. Japan, 7; Bloomsbury (sch'p Bangkok, 25), 33 25; Danville (tr. sch. Japan, 6 82), 18 82, Gleaners, 19; Delaware, 14; Hacketts-town Aux., ad'l, 4, Christ's Workers, 2; Harmony Aux., 53, Y. P. B., 11, teacher Liberia; Knowlton, 8; Marks-

boro', 16; Newton Aux. (Miss'y, 35, Africa, 36 64, tr. sch. Japan, 32 88), 151 41, Infant Sch., Chinese in California, 11 18; Oxford 2d (sch'p Dehra, 40, tr. sch. Japan, 22), 93; Phillipsburg, Miss'y Lahore, 150; Stewartsville, sch. Saharanpur, 12 50; Sparta, 5 30, S. S., 17; Stillwater Chinese Home, 10; Cash, tr. sch. Japan, 1 75. 1013 36
NORTH RIVER.—Poughkeepsie Aux., sch. Syria, 170 13

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PASSAGES OF SCRIPTURE.

TO BE READ AT THE MONTHLY MEETINGS IN JUNE.

1 Chron. xxii. *Golden Text for the Month.*—1 Cor. iii. 6.
"I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase."

NEW AUXILIARIES.

Avoca, Iowa, reorganized.
Baldwin, Wis., Christian Sisters.
Beloit, Wis., Earnest Workers.
Bloom, Ill., reorganized.
Bloomington, Ind., Grettie Y. Holli-
day Bd.
Carthage, Ill., Dew Drops.
Carroll, Iowa, S. S.
Casselton, Dak., Van Cleve Bd.
Cassopolis, Mich.
Chicago, 5th Ch., Rosebud Mission Bd.
Cooksville, Ill.
Crawfordsville, Iowa, Daisy Bd.
Dallas Centre, Iowa.
Delhi, Mich.
Denver, Col., Capitol Ave. Ch., Gems
of Light.
Detroit, Mich., Trumbull Ave. Ch.
Diamonddale, Mich., Willing Workers.
East Wheatland, Ill., Dupage Ch., Y. L.
Eau Claire, Wis.
Ebenezer Ch. (P. O. Macomb, Ill.).
Elmira, Ill., S. S. Bd.
Elmore, O., Mission Bd.
Eugene, Ind., Mission Bd.
Fairbury, Neb., Willing Workers.
Fargo, Dak., The King's Children.

Findlay, O., Blanchard Ch.
Florence, Wis., Mission Bd.
Garrison, Iowa, Y. L. B.
Grand Junction, Iowa.
Green Springs, O., Busy Bees.
Greetingsville, Ind.
Hanover, Ind., Y. L. B.
Hillsboro', Ill., Cheerful Workers.
Homer, Ill.
Homer, Mich., Y. L. C.
Indianapolis, Ind., Tabernacle Ch.,
Girls' Bd.
Jesup, Iowa.
Keota, Iowa, reorganized.
Laramie, Wyo. Ter., Cheerful Workers.
Mackinaw City, Mich.
Macomb, Ill., Earnest Workers.
Marquette, Mich., Lake Superior Bd.;
Boys' Bd.
Marshalltown, Iowa, S. S.
Mason, Mich., Cheerful Givers; Mis-
sion Circle.
McLeansboro', Ill., The Little Gleaners.
Mediapolis, Iowa, Mission Bd.
Menominee, Mich., S. S.
Milwaukee, Wis., Immanuel Church,
Young Girls' Bd.

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| Minneapolis, Minn., Bethlehem Ch. ;
Bloomington Ave. Ch. ; 5th Ch.,
Little Coral Workers. | Scotland, Dak., Mission Bd.
Seaton, Mercer Co., Ill.
Sterling, Ill., Little Gleaners. |
| Monroe, Mich., Little Busy Bees. | Sparta, Ill., Boys' Bd. |
| Moorhead, Minn., Mission Bd. | Tecumseh, Mich., Wide Awake Bd. |
| Mt. Carmel, Ind. | Tekonsha, Mich., Shining Lights. |
| New Philadelphia, Ind. | Toledo, Iowa. |
| Oxford, Iowa, reorganized. | Tower City, Dak., S. S. Bd. |
| Pana, Ill., Y. L. Rainbow M. S. | Union City, Ind., Y. L. B. ; Young
Missionaries. |
| Pingree Grove, Ill., Willing Workers. | Washington, Iowa, Y. L. |
| Pullman, Ill. | Wenona, Ill., reorganized. |
| Saginaw, Mich., Young Ladies' Circle. | West Bay City, Mich., Y. L. Circle. |
| Salem, Ind., Little Helpers. | West Union, Ind., S. S. |
| St. Paul, Minn., 1st Ch. S. S., taken
name of Wayside Gleaners. | York, Neb., S. S. Bd. |

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Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest, to April 12, 1884.

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.]

ALTON.—Alton, 32 15; Y. L., Laos sch., 9 70; Bethel Ch., Laos sch'p, 6 25; thank-off., 14 40; Carlyle, 10 60; Carrollton, Africa, 25; thank-off., 37 05; Chester, 9 70; Helm Bd., Osaka bld'g, 17 45; Greenville, 17 83; S. S., 10; Jerseyville, B. R. India, 26 10; Litchfield, 22 10; Plainview, 1 95; Sparta, 71; Steeleville, 3 90; Troy, 4 80; Trenton, 4 60; Shanghai sch'p, 25; Virden, 20 35; Waveland, 16 50; Walnut Grove, sal. Miss Calhoun, 11 75. 398 18

BELLEFONTAINE.—Belle Centre, 25; Buck Creek, 20; Crestline, 20 93; Galion, 33 29; Huntsville, 10; Spring Hills, 17 25; West Liberty, 30—all sal. Miss Hartwell; Belle Centre, H. M., 25; Huntsville, Infant Class, 5; Kenton, H. M., 6; Crestline, same, 14 10. 206 57

BLOOMINGTON.—Bement, 152 09; Sunbeans, 24 08; Bloomington, 1st, 34; 2d, 323 55; Y. P. B., nat. tea. Oroomiah, 50; Little Lights, 12 25; Helpful Hands, 3 50; Champaign, Brazil sch., 39 48; Chatsworth, 6; Clinton, 40; Dwight, Persian sch., 10; Gibson City, 9 85; Gilman, 43; Lexington, 21 50; Minonk, Mexico, 5; S. S., Persian sch., 20; Onarga, 24 30; S. S., 10; Philo, Lodiana sch'p, 20; Piper City, 10 10; Neely Bd., 26 15; Pontiac, 20; Rossville, Bangkok sch'p, 10; Tolono, 25. 939 85

CAIRO.—Centralia, 3 26; H. M., 9 25; Carbondale, 30; McLeansboro', 9 95; Olney, 11 50; Salem Ch., sal. Miss Calhoun, 8 15. 72 11

CEDAR RAPIDS.—Linn Grove, 10; Mechanicsville, 10; Mt. Vernon, 10; Y. L. B., 5; Vinton, Y. P. S., 20; Wyoming, 10—all sal. Miss Ball; Anamosa, 15 29; S. S., 8; Blairstown, 11 75; thank-off., 10; Cedar Rapids, 1st, praise-off., 13; 2d, Syrian sch., 30; Centre Junction, 10; Clarence, 7 65; Clinton, 16; Delmar, 5; Garrison, 9 89; Linn Grove, 34 55; Lyons, 2 65; Marion, work in Africa, 36; Mechanicsville, 5; Mt. Vernon, Y. L. C., 10; Onslow, 10; Vinton, sal. Misses Jewett and Pratt, 110; S. S., 16 09; Wy-

oming, 52 46; Cheerful Workers, 5; S. S. B., 24. 507 33

CHICAGO.—Chicago, 8th, 78 22; Lake Forest, Madam Wm. H. Ferry, Tabriz Hospital, 1000; Wilmington, 51. 1129 22

CHIPPEWA.—Hudson, 14 90; Neillsville, 8; La Crosse, 1st, 34 85; West Salem, Neshonoc Ch., 14 60. 72 35

COUNCIL BLUFFS.—Avoca, 2 50; Bedford, 5; Council Bluffs, 12; Emerson, 5; Greenfield, 3 75; Malvern, 6; Red Oak, 13 25—all for Sac and Fox mission; Corning, Chefoo sch'p, 12 50; S. S., Lodiana sch'p, 30; Council Bluffs, 33 10; Y. L. C., Monterey sch'p, 12 50; Red Oak, Ningpo sch'p, 6 25; Avoca, 6; Clarinda, 10; Corning, 10; Essex, 4; Logan, 2 50; Malvern, 18 75; Y. L. C., 21 75; Menlo, 9 40; Nodaway, 2; Red Oak, 8 85; Pearl Gatherers, 2 10; Shenandoah, 11 45; Sidney, 8 90; Greenfield, Beacon Lights, trav. ex. Miss Cummings, 10; Lenox, Oroomiah Hospital, 2 50. 270 05

CRAWFORDSVILLE.—Mount Family Bd., 5; Bethany Ch., 25 60; Beulah Ch., 39; Dayton, 13; Delphi, 12 50; Frankfort, 20; Mary Campbell Bd., 10; Waveland, 25; Rock Field and Rock Creek, 12—last 7 sal. Mrs. Van Hook; Covington, 5 40; Band, 21 44; Crawfordsville, 1st, 18 25; Centre Ch., 50; Teheran sch'p, 50; S. S., Shanghai sch'p, 25; Lodiana sch'p, 15; Dayton, 9; S. S., Zacatecas, 50; Tokio sch'p, 60; Delphi, 26 10; Eugene, 6; Frankfort, Mary Campbell Bd., 50 71; Judson, 7 50; Lafayette, 1st and 2d, thank-off., 22 25; 2d, Little Helpers, Gaboon sch'p, 25; Lebanon, 13; Newtown, 6; Rockville, 20 88; Oroomiah Hospital bed, 25; Band, 25; Romney, 3 50; Union Ch., 3; Waveland, 20 66; Mrs. Milligan, for Persia, 30; Williamsport, 6; Thorntown, Laos sch'p, 8 35. 765 14

DENVER.—Denver, Central Ch., 44; Cheerful Givers, thank-off., 10; 13th Ave. Ch., 5 50; Capitol Ave. Ch., 12; Georgetown, 31 60; Greeley, 26. 129 10

DETROIT.—Ann Arbor, Monterey sch'ps, 100; Willing Workers, Rawal Pindi sch., 50; S. S., 16 94; Birmingham, Brownell Bd., Oroomiah sch'p, 10; Ready Helpers, 10; Brighton, 7; Detroit, 1st, Richardson Bd., Monterey, Gaboon and Oroomiah sch'ps, 79; Calvary Ch., Cheerful Givers, 15 60; Foreign Information Guild, 52; Central Ch., S. S., Gaboon sch'p, 25; Fort St. Ch., 24; sal. Miss Patton, 250; Rhea Bd., Tokio sch'p, 50; Pierson sch., Futteghurh, 40; Westminster Ch., Y. L. S., Shanghai sch., 40; Jefferson Ave. Ch., Syrian sch., 100; Union Ch., Hastings Bd., 10; Holly, 6 51; Howell, 96 05; Y. L. S., Kangwe sch'p, 30; Milford, Laos sch'p, 25; for Mexico, 54 63; Sunbeams, 45 37; Mt. Clemens, Zacatecas, 43; S. S., 5; Northville, 17 56; Stony Creek, 16 26; S. S., 6 46; Christmas off., 2 08; South Lyon, 19.

1246 46

DES MOINES.—Adel, 33; Chariton, 5 75; East Des Moines, 20; Hartford, 6 25; Knoxville, 7 50; New Sharon, 2; Osceola, 20; Oskaloosa, 25; Lineville, 10—all sal. Miss Cochrane; Dallas Centre, 3; Des Moines, Y. L. C., 25; Knoxville, Sac and Fox Mission, 5.

162 50

DUBUQUE.—Independence, Children's Miss. Soc., 9 78

FORT WAYNE.—Bluffton, 15; Fort Wayne, 1st, Mrs. D. B. Wells' S. S. Cl., Shanghai sch'p, 5; Lima, 42 65. 62 65

FREEPORT.—Belvidere, 18 50; Freeport, 1st, 100; Freeport, 2d, 30; Galena, 1st, 10; Y. L. C., 20; Marengo, 147 89; Oregon, 42 50; S. S., 14 50; Ridgely, W. M. S. and Children's Bd., Lodiana sch'p, 30; Rockford, Westminster Ch., 1; Y. L. S., 5; Earnest Workers, 10; 1st, 75; Willow Creek Ch., 20; Winnebago, 21 54; Warren, H. M., 4; Woodstock, 1. 550 93

GRAND RAPIDS.—Cadillac, 5 50; Grand Rapids, Westminster Ch., nat. tea, Japan, 53. 58 50

HURON.—Bloomville, 39; Bd., 7 50; Elmora, 20 87; Fostoria, 15; S. S., 7 98; Green Springs, 7 50; Huron, 5; Ningpo sch'p, 25; Melmore, 8 50; Norwalk, 15; Peru, 13 75; Sandusky, 42 69; S. S., 39 cts.; Tiffin S. S., Lodiana sch'p, 30. 238 18

IOWA.—Fairfield, Mezraat sch., 55; Mediapolis, 19 52; Miss. Bd., trav. ex. Mrs. Fisher, 15; Mount Pleasant, 1st,

Medical Missions, 20 76; Highland Branch, Sac and Fox Miss., 5; Morning Sun, 40; Troy, 20. 175 28

IOWA CITY.—Atalissa, 5; Brooklyn, 4; Crawfordville, 6 40; Iowa City, 27 32; Keota, 6 80; Malcom, 2 11; Montezuma, 11; Oxford, 6 60; Scott Ch. Downey, 5 33; Sigourney, 5; Tip-ton, 15 65; Washington, 35 53; West Liberty, 11; What Cheer, 2 50. 144 24

INDIANAPOLIS.—Bethany Ch., 2; Bloomington, 50; Columbus, sal. Mrs. Bergen, 18 75; Indianapolis, 4th, same, 111 25; Tabernacle Ch, same, 137 48; Franklin, sal. Mrs. Warren, 75; Do What We Can Bd., Tabriz sch'p, 50; Greenwood, 12; Greencastle, 25; Lodiana sch'p, 25; Hopewell, 11 46; Indianapolis, 1st, 17; sal. Mrs. Van Hook, 2 68; sal. Miss Holliday, 100; S. S., 41 10; Benita sch'p, 2 40; Tabriz Home, 3 43; 2d, 12; sal. Miss Clark, 200; Y. L. C., Petchaburi sch'p, 25; Chefoo sch'p, 40; Tabernacle Ch., 88 04; Infant Class, 40; S. S., 10 04; Y. G. S., 5 52; 4th, 18 93; Mrs. Hudelson, Laos sch'p, 25; S. S., nat. tea, Syria, 80; 5th, 8 70; 6th, 5; 7th, 10; 8th, 50 cts.; Kangwe sch'p, 14; 10th, 45 20; 12th, Monterey sch'p, 16 50; Southport, 25. 1353 98

KALAMAZOO.—Allegan, 9 45; Buchanan, 25; Burr Oak, 2 52; Constantine, 37; Cassopolis, 25; Decatur, 25; 1st, Kalamazoo, 79; Martin, 9; Niles, 100; Paw Paw, 50; Richland, 20 77; Sturgis, 10; Schoolcraft, 1; Three Rivers, 14 50; White Pigeon, 20; Bd. White Wings, 8. 436 24

KEARNEY.—Grand Island, 5 50; Kearney, 21 50; St. Paul, 5. 32 00

LAKE SUPERIOR.—Escanaba, 6 35; Florence, H. M., 18; S. S., Lodiana sch'p, 8; Ford River, 7 60; Ishpeming, sch'ps Canton, Gaboon and Kangwe, 13 50; Marquette, 2 Laos sch'ps, 50; Marinette, H. M., 25 76; Menominee, 14 93; S. S., H. M., 62; Negaunee, same, 22 55; Oconto, 10; H. M., 20. 258 69

LANSING.—Albion, 5; Diamondale, Willing Workers, 7; Mrs. A. C. Baker, 8 20; Hastings, 4; Lansing, 1st, 6 75; North Lansing, Franklin St. Ch. Coral Band, 6; S. S., Gaboon sch'p, 15; Parma, 6. 57 95

LIMA.—Ada, 9 50; Columbus Grove, 8 75; Band, 3; Findlay, 17; McComb, 15; Mt. Jefferson, 8 50; St. Mary's,

20 25; Sidney, 31; Van Wert, 56; Wapakoneta, 7 50—all sal. Mrs. Leyenberger; Lima, same and Syrian sch., 38 38; Japan, Y. P. B., 42 24; Infant Class, 7 76—both Tokio sch'p; Main St. Ch., 2; H. M., 2; Sidney, Loring Band, Oroomiah Hospital bed, 25; H. M., 7; Mt. Jefferson, H. M., 8 50.

309 47

MATTOON.—Charlestown, 12 89; Vandalia, 17 50; sal. Miss Calhoun, 5.

35 39

MAUMEE.—Bowling Green, Willing Workers, 8; Grand Rapids, Mary Workman Bd., 4 65; Hicksville, 10; Lost Creek, 10; sal. Miss Fetter, 15 50; Pemberville, Edna Cole Bd., 10; Perysburg, Walnut St. Ch., 15; Faithful Workers, 15; Toledo, Westminster Ch., Busy Bees, Ningpo sch'p, 40; West Unity, 16; Little Workers, 4.

148 15

MILWAUKEE.—Beloit, 13; thank-off., 13; S. S., Persian sehs., 34 21; Janesville, 15; Lima, boys' sch. Persia, 20; Boardman Band, sal. Miss Dougherty, 12; Manitowoc, 6 25; Milwaukee, Calvary Ch., 20; S. S., 1st Wis. Vol., 50; Immanuel Ch., 200; Y. L. B., Laos, 30; S. S., Tripoli sch'p, 25; Ottawa, 3; Mrs. E. T. Stewart, thank-off., 2 60; Somers, sal. Miss Dougherty, 12; Waukesha, 15 75.

471 81

MONROE.—Adrian, 38 51; California, 8; Erie, 15; Hillsdale, 24 25; Holloway, 4; Monroe, 20; Quincy, 5 67; Tecumseh, 18—all sal. Mrs. McKee; Hillsdale, 7; Y. L., 21 55; Holloway, 4; Petersburg, 3; Quincy, 4 40—all sal. Miss Patton; Monroe, Y. L., 10; Quincy, 19 93; S. S., 11 47; Reading, 6; Tecumseh, 39 75.

260 53

MONTANA.—Presbyterian Meeting Offering, 31 75; Helena, 18 60; Offering at Mrs. Van Cleve's lecture, 12 62.

62 97

MUNCIE.—Hartford, 9 60; Lagro, 2; Noblesville, Rio Claro sch'p, 15; Perysburg, 3; Peru, 25; Tipton, 15 75.

70 35

NEBRASKA CITY.—Salem, S. S. mite boxes, 9 00

NORTHERN PACIFIC.—Fargo, sal. Mrs. Campbell, 50; The King's Children, Chefoo sch'p, 40; Jamestown, 9 90; H. M., 9 90; birthday box, 7; Band, 6.

122 80

OMAHA.—Columbus, 8; Hopedale S. S., Laos, 15; Omaha, 22 35; thank-

off., 20 25; Mr. Thos. A. Creigh, 25; Western Lights, 30; S. S., 18 29; Missionary Helpers, 4 52; Nellie Day, 36 cts.; Papillion, 5; St. Helena S. S., 2 50; Schuyler, 2 50; Silver Ridge Bd., 12.

165 77

OTTAWA.—Aurora, 11; S. S., pupil in India, 6 25; Aux Sable Grove, 36 25; Mendota, 20 85; Morris, Laos, 16 50; Oswego, 5; Paw Paw, 8; Streator, Fannie Candall Bd., 20; H. M., 5; Waltham, for Mexico, 25.

153 85

PEMBINA.—Grafton, Busy Gleaners, Lodiana sch'p, 10; Grand Forks, 11; Mekinock Ch., 22 72; Mekinock Gardeners, 30.

73 72

PEORIA.—Altona, 5; Brimfield, 5; Canton, 17 70; Rawal Pindi teacher, 18; mem. off., 52 75; praise off., 12; S. S., 30 75; Merry Workers, 12; Brunswick Ch., Oroomiah sch'p, 5; Deer Creek, 14 25; Elmira, 6 40; memorial envelopes, 4 94; Galesburg, 5 50; praise off., 69 50; Ipava, 25; Oneida, 25; Yates City, 15 50; Mrs. James McKeighan, 25—last nine sal. Mrs. Winn; Delavan, 10; Mrs. Burlingame, 5; Dunlap, 39; Band, 5; Elmwood, 10; Legacy of Mrs. Hannah Blanchard, 100; Eureka, 25; praise off., 5; Band, 10; French Grove, 29 65; Farmington, 15 75; praise off., 18; S. S., 6 94; Galesburg, Pearl Seekers, trav. ex. Miss Cummings, 15; Green Valley, 11 70; sch'p Laos, 6 25; Rural Gleaners, Laos, 14 50; Henry, 2; Ipava, 25; Gleaners, Teheran sch'p, 15; Knoxville, 34; Dec. off., 52 50; Whatsoever Bd., Bangkok sch'p, 30; John Knox Ch., 7 50; Lewistown, 38 70; memorial envelopes, 55 95; praise off., 7 25 (101 90)—for Ambala; Y. L. C. and Miss. Bd., Laos, 48 65; Limestone, 5; Low Point, 10; Oneida, 15 27; Peoria, 1st, 64 25; memorial envelopes, 22; praise off., 100; E. R. Edwards Band, 17 02; Little Lights, 8 20; 2d, 4; praise off., 69 50; Mrs. J. L. Griswold, 100; Light Bearers, Teheran sch'p, 27 63; Calvary Ch., 6 25; praise off., 8; Grace Ch., 10 60; praise off., 15 40; Salem, Oroomiah student, 6 25; Vermont, 4; Washington, 13; Band, Teheran sch'p, 3 82; Yates City, S. S., 60 cts.

1503 42

PUEBLO.—Colorado Springs, 20 00

RED RIVER.—Fergus Falls, 42 62; Benita sch'p, 20; Moorhead, 16 55.

79 17

ROCK RIVER.—Edgington, 10; Fulton, 12 50; Geneseo, 7; Morrison, thank-off., 57 50; Rock Island, Central Ch., 15; Broadway Ch., 19 42—all sal. Mrs. Bergen, Ruth's Bd., Laos sch'p, 33 63; Willing Workers, 2 72; Central Ch., sale of Laos memorial, 9 62; Woodhull, Dehra, sch'p, 43.

210 39

SAGINAW.—Bay City, 40; Wight Band, Oroomia sch'p, 30; Caro, 5; East Saginaw, 16; Flint, Syrian schs., 35; Lapeer, 23; Midland, 17 64; sal. Mrs. Hayes, 1 50; Morrice, 15; Port Austin, 17; Cheerful Workers, 8 10; Busy Bees, 12 40—both Kangwesch'p; Saginaw, 35; thank-off., 36 50; Golden Rule Bd., 60; St. Louis, 6 19; Vassar, 22 50; West Bay City, 14. 394 83

ST. PAUL.—Duluth, 22 23; Hastings, 19; S. S. B., 8 15; Litchfield, Osaka, 3 65; Minneapolis, 1st, Shanghai sch., 72 56; Merry Gleaners, 25; Osaka bld'g, 25; Westminster Ch., 27 62; sal. Mrs. Mateer, 15; for sending new missionaries, 5 18; Pearl Gatherers, Laos, 5; Bethlehem Ch., Van Cleve Bd., 9; Franklin Ave. Ch., 10; Andrew Ch., 40 43; S. F. sch'p, 12; thank-off., 10; Bloomington Ave. Ch., 5; Pine City, 7; Red Wing, 33; St. Cloud, 20; Gaboon sch'p, 25; St. Paul, societies union praise meeting, 47 52; Central Ch., 3 25; Y. L. B., Osaka bld'g, 27 54; House of Hope Ch., 19 40; Dayton Ave. Ch., 33 92; 1st, 11 75; Stillwater, 28; Taylor's Falls, 10. 581 20

SCHUYLER.—Augusta, 7; Bardolph, 25; Carthage, 30; Dewdrops, 1; Clayton, 20; Ebenezer, 4 50; Fountain Green, 23; Hamilton, 12 15; Rushville, 50; Hersman, 3 50; Kirkwood, Rawal Pindi sch., 50; Macomb, 38 61; Monmouth, 35; Prairie City, 19; Quincy, 33; Wythe Ch., 6 50. 358 26

SOUTHERN DAKOTA.—Scotland, 5 00

SPRINGFIELD.—Chatham, girls, 7; Jacksonville, 1st, thank-off., 13 05; Central Ch., thank-off., 16 70; Mason City, 35; North Sangamon, thank-off., 80; sal. Mrs. Corbett, 29 11; Petersburg, same, 25 92; Petersburg Band, 19 60; Pisgah, 10; Pleasant Plains, 40; Springfield, 1st, Y. L., Persia, 28. 304 38

VINCENNES.—Princeton, praise off., 56 75

WATERLOO.—Ackley, 25; sal. Miss Pratt, 20 70; Cedar Falls, 10 35; Eldora, 5; Grundy Centre, 5 90; S. S., sch. in Mexico, 9; Janesville, 6; Marshalltown, 12 45; Morrison, 8; Nevada, sal. Monterey, 10; Salem, 16 73; State Centre, Sac and Fox Mission, 5; Y. L. Christian Endeavor Soc., Lodiana sch'p, 30; Tranquillity, 13 50; Whitten, 4 05. 181 68

WHITEWATER.—Cambridge City, 15; College Corner, 7 65; Greensburg, 121 95; Kingston, 31 40; Knights-town, 5; Liberty, 1 50; Mt. Carmel, 5; Sardinia, 25; Shelbyville, 12 50; Rushville, 19 12; S. S., 2—all sal. Miss Garvin, Shelbyville, 25; thank-off., 13; Golden Rule Circle, 19 12; Richmond, Syrian sch., 45; Greensburg, S. S., Osaka bld'g, 50. 398 24

WINNEBAGO.—Appleton, Laos, 25; Auburndale, 15 78; Fond du Lac, Benita Band, Gaboon sch'p, 29; Omro, 15; Oshkosh, 29 37; Stevens Point, sal. Misses Cundall and Dougherty, 58 14. 172 29

WINONA.—Albert Lea, 50; Le Roy, 19 75. 69 75

WISCONSIN RIVER.—Baraboo, 10; Kilbourn, 4; sal. Miss Dougherty, 10; Lodi, 25 60; Madison, Persian schs., 16; Loving Workers Bd., 10; Mineral Point, 3; Portage, 4; Poynette, 10 25; praise off., 15 20, sal. Mrs. Etheridge; Hattie Bartlett fund, bequest, 3; Ch. and cong., 35; S. S., 13 30; Prairie du Sac, Cheerful Workers, Laos, 11; Reedsburg, 4; Verona, 10; Misses J. and A. Kethel, 10. 194 35

MISCELLANEOUS.—T., part thank-off., for special mercies for woman's work in India, 5; Morrell, Kan., Mrs. F. M. Spalding, 15; Central City, Kan., Infant Class, Osaka bld'g, 1 20; Sterling, Kan., Mrs. D. Kingery, 2; Halstead, Kan., Annie McFarland, 2. 25 20'

Total from March 20 to	
April 12,	\$15,716 00
Previously acknowledged,	43,694 30
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April 12, 1884,	\$59,410 30

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